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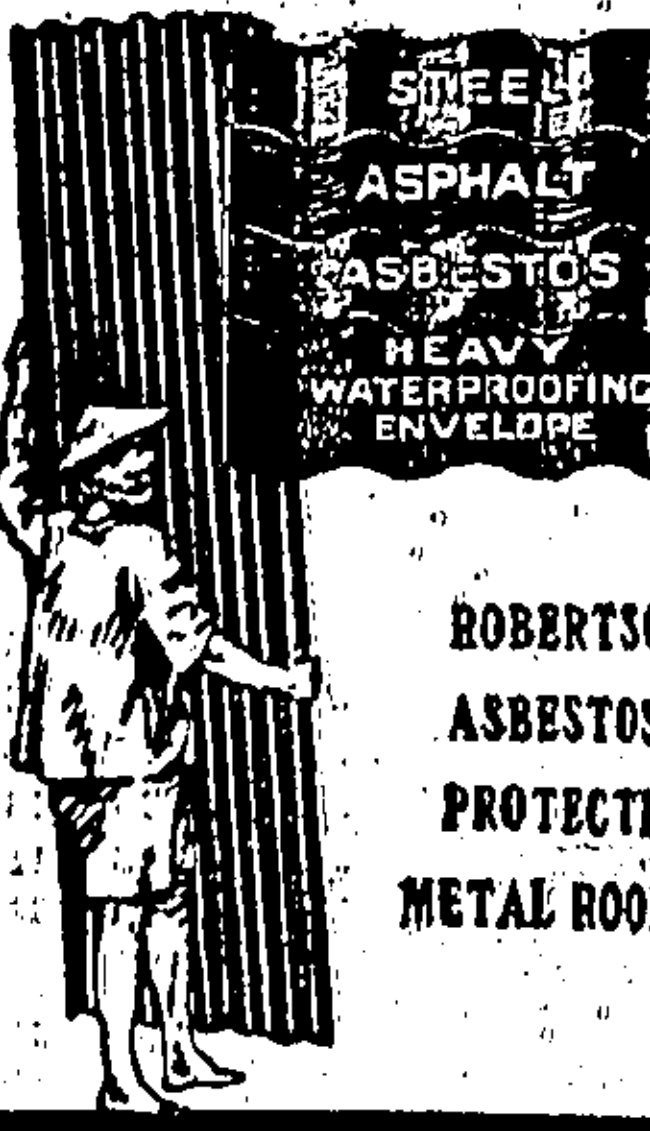
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ANNUAL RACES—LAST DAY.

FIELDS VARY IN SIZE.

Sun Comes Out; Going Still Fast.

[BY "PATROL"]

Dew in the early morning developed into rain just before mid-day, but the sun came out later on for those who indulged in the Sport of Kings at Happy Valley to-day.

Known in previous years as the "off day," it was an opportunity for ponies which had disappointed to make amends. There were "upsets to form," with the result that "tote" dividends were, on the average, of not such small proportions.

The going was still on the fast side.

Most of the Shanghai crack jockeys having returned, more of the local gentleman riders, had mounts.

Fields, varied between the large, and the smallest in the whole meeting. Honours were more evenly distributed.

Counter attractions had only a slight effect on the support for the fourth and last day of the Jockey Club's annual meeting. However, it may be that what appeared to be a smaller attendance was due to the increased vigilance of the officials who, after complaints earlier in the week, put up a very good bust—under the circumstances—to prevent overcrowding.

During the afternoon interval, the crowd increased. Again, there were many ladies present throughout the day, which was really as brilliant as any of the earlier days of the week.

Inside the course, thousands of natives watched the races at intervals, or played scratch football matches wherever they could.

The Band of the 1st East Surreys played appropriate music.

1.—The "Hay And Corn" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For subscription griffins of any season that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not won. (W.I.) Unplaced runners allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Mr. Sha's Shere Khan II, 158 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 1

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's 158 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's 152 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

Mrs. Hartford's Racehorse, 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 4

Mr. A. H. Carroll's Elm Leaf, 148 lbs. (Capt. Hall) 0

Mr. L. Dunbar's Bay of Naples, 147 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0

Mr. Dynasty's King's Favourite, 150 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 0

Mr. Henry Humphreys's Black Mouse, 148 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0

Mr. John Peel's Dragon River, 150 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 0

Mr. John Peel's Jade River, 151 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 0

Mr. Stanton's Blue Monday, 145 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0

Mr. J. H. Taggart's Demon Boy, 152 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 0

Mr. Wayfoong's Inkpot, 156 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 0

A length, a head.

Time: 1.34 1/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$19.50.

Places: 1st \$6.60; 2nd \$7.90; 3rd \$5.60.

2.—The "Loiterers" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For griffins of this meeting that have started at least twice and have not won. (W.I.) Unplaced runners allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's San Diego, 158 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 1

Sir Paul's Melody Dahlia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 2

Mrs. G. L. Bagram's Sunburst Rose, 155 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 3

Messrs. Beith and Rembrandt's Fireworks, 150 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 4

Mr. Stanton's Reardan, 153 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0

Mr. J. H. Taggart's Craigavad, 148 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0

1 1/2 lengths, short head.

Time: 1.31 1/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$26.60.

Places: 1st \$8.50; 2nd \$19.20; 3rd \$7.70.

3.—The "All Out" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For all China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not won. (W.I.) Unplaced runners allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Mr. R. J. Patterson's September, 154 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 1

Mr. Dryasdust's Saracen, 153 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0

Many lengths.

Time: 1.33 4/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$8.10.

Place: 1st \$8.00.

4.—The Tytan Handicap.

Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For subscription griffins of this meeting that have started at least twice. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Geizer, 157 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 1

Mrs. Bernard's Barley Grass, 153 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2

Lady Chater's The Golden Pheasant, 160 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 3

Mrs. Hartford's Formidable, 151 lbs. (Capt. Hall) 4

Mr. Henry Humphreys's Black Mouse, 149 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0

1/2 length, 3 lengths.

Time: 2.13 1/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$17.70.

Places: 1st \$3.30; 2nd \$7.30.

5.—The Hongkong Handicap.

"A" Class. Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For all China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting. Winners of a classic race at any recognised meeting barred. If necessary, this race will be divided into two classes at the discretion of the handicapper. Entrance \$10. One Mile and a Quarter. Stakes to be the same for both classes.

Sir Paul's Fantastic Dahlia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 1

Sir Paul's Sunrise Dahlia, 158 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2

Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Tacoma, 148 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 0

2 1/2 lengths, 6 lengths.

Time: 2.42 2/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$8.50.

Place: 1st \$7.60.

6.—The Hongkong Handicap.

"B" Class. Winner \$1400. Second \$450. Third \$225. For all China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not won. (W.I.) Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Mr. J. H. Taggart's Bundoran, 154 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 1

Mr. L. Dunbar's Bay of Bellingham, 149 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 2

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch, 151 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 3

Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Boston, 153 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 4

Mr. Cobbold's Christmas Eve, 145 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0

Sir Paul's Daisy Dahlia, 162 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 0

A neck, 3 lengths.

Time: 2.46 1/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$15.00.

Places: 1st \$6.40; 2nd \$9.50; 3rd \$6.70.

7.—The Professional Cup And Subscription Griffins' Championship.

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Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Total Abstinence, 158 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 1

Mrs. R. J. Patterson's Dobbie, 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gowk, 152 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

Lady Chater's The Sand Piper, 152 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 4

Mr. Sha's Shere Khan II, 155 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 0

3 lengths, 4 lengths.

Time: 2.40 2/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$6.50.

Places: 1st \$5.50; 2nd \$5.90.

8.—The "Lucky" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For China ponies that have started in at least three extra meetings in 1925 and at least twice at this meeting and have not won at this meeting. (W.I.) Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 157 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 1

Mr. J. H. Taggart's Demon Boy, 152 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2

Mr. Stanton's Beldorney Star, 148 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3

Mr. Dryasdust's Saracen, 153 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 4

Mr. Seth's Duke of Frisco, 153 lbs. (Mr. Andrews) 0

5 lengths, 3 lengths.

Time: 2.09 1/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$7.00.

Places: 1st \$5.50; 2nd \$5.50.

9.—The "Also Ran" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For griffins and subscription griffins of this meeting that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not been placed. (W.I.) Subscription griffins allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Mrs. Bernard's Blue Grass, 153 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. L. Dunbar's Bay of Naples, 150 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2

Mr. R. M. Austin's District Call, 153 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

Mr. Strike's Tutis, 151 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 4

Mr. Aitch Aitch's Folly, 147 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 0

Messrs. Albert and Arnold's Conquistador, 153 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 0

Mr. A. H. Carroll's Elm Leaf, 148 lbs. (Capt. Hall) 0

Mrs. Hartford's Racehorse, 158 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 0

Mr. John Peel's Dragon River, 149 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 0

Mr. John Peel's Jade River, 148 lbs. (Mr. Kendall) 0

Mr. John Peel's Lotus River, 147 lbs. (Mr. Dangerfield) 0

Mr. Stanton's Kwan Tao, 150 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0

Mr. J. H. Taggart's Craigavad, 153 lbs. (Mr. Andrews) 0

Mr. Wayfoong's Inkpot, 155 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 0

2 lengths, a neck, a head.

Time: 1.17 2/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$14.00.

Places: 1st \$6.80; 2nd \$9.30; 3rd \$11.00.

10.—The "Finale" Stakes.

Winner \$400. Second \$150. Third \$75. For all China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not been placed. (W.I.) Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Mrs. R. J. Patterson's The Regent, 163 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Blotting Paper, 160 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2

Mr. Dynasty's King's Favourite, 156 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 3

Lady Chater's The Penguin II (late Beauty Dahlia), 147 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 4

Messrs. Toeg and Priestley's Divader, 160 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 0

5 lengths, 2 lengths.

Time: 1.15 2/5.

Part-mutuel—

Winner \$9.70.

Places: 1st \$6.30; 2nd \$8.50.

HAVE YOU WON?

To-day's Cash Sweeps At A Glance.

ALL THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

For the convenience of those who are particularly interested in the cash sweeps at the race course, the results are given here in tabulated form.

Race I.

No. 184 \$1,075.20.
" 183 307.20.
" 96 158.50.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 244, 384, 350, 527, 195, 425, 30, 449, 163, 39.

Race II.

No. 186 \$1,605.80.
" 216 458.80.
" 529 229.40.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 742, 264, 119.

Race III.

No. 179 \$2,250.00.
" 481 750.00.

Race IV.

No. 156 \$2,198.00.
" 155 628.00.
" 479 314.00.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 460, 441.

Race V.

No. 331 \$5,056.80.
" 1357 1,444.80.
" 865 722.40.

Race VI.

No. 1257 \$4,734.80.
" 1526 1,352.80.
" 1130 676.40.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 1471, 1403.

Race VII.

No. 731 \$4,916.80.
" 1617 1,404.80.
" 1483 702.40.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 1561, 774.

Race IX.

No. 1392 \$4,977.00.
" 1574 1,422.00.
" 1863 711.00.

Unplaced \$50 each:—Nos. 1162, 1827, 199, 823, 1557, 683, 600, 1392, 1646, 127, 1306.

Race X.

No. 1096 \$5,014.80.
" 183 1,432.80.
" 1369 716.40.

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"MOREA"	10,918	3rd April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"JEYPORE"	7,056	5th April	Singapore, Penang & Bombay
"DELTA"	8,097	12th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	8,155	17th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACDONALD"	11,089	21st April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	1st May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	10th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	8,114	15th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,942	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,097	7th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	8,985	10th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	24th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,985	7th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	11th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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"DEVANAH"	8,155	20th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,097	24th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGINA"	6,551	31st Mar.	Kobe
"MACDONALD"	11,089	2nd April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th April	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KHYBER"	8,114	20th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	8,958	24th April	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,941	14th May	Shanghai
"MANTUA"	10,942	28th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,985	10th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,097	15th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	8,000	18th June	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	8,985	15th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,005	19th July	Shanghai only
"MACDONALD"	11,089	22nd July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	8,155	6th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

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THEOSOPHY.

"MAN IN LIFE AND DEATH."

At the public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society on Thursday, an address was given by Mr. H. E. Lanepart on "Man in Life and Death," of which the following is a brief outline.

Evolution as understood by Theosophy is much larger than it is taught in the West. Whilst Western science starts in the middle of evolution, the wisdom of the East takes in the whole of the vast series of changes which begin with the descent of spirit to embody itself in matter, traces the evolution of forms through stages of ever-increasing beauty and complexity, showing the unfolding consciousness in living forms to occupy successive steps on the ladder, from the mineral to the throne of the manifested Divinity. The hierarchies of living things are the rungs of this "Jacob's ladder," from the dust to the mightiest Archangel. One of these hierarchies is the human, some way up the ladder. He is in truth that spiritual individuality who lives on in his storehouse of experience, his permanent body of higher mental matter, and it is the spiritual individuality of the man-ego, which retains the memories of the experiences of all his successive personalities on earth.

The personality seen here on earth and erroneously called by us "man" is merely an offshoot of the true man, and fails to reveal in each reincarnation certain attributes of the ego. An ego makes many successive personalities to gain self-consciousness on earth, but only one personality at a time is manifested by the ego, the true man, here on earth. The offshoot of the ego, the personality, takes at birth a mind body, an astral or feelings body and a physical body. Each of these bodies has a life and consciousness of its own, quite distinct from the life and consciousness of the personality who uses them. This body consciousness is the elemental life in a much earlier stage of evolution and is still on its evolutionary arc ever striving to descend deeper into matter. The consciousness of the Mental and Astral bodies is the life of the elemental essence of the mental and astral matter. Meanwhile the body-consciousness of the physical body is the life of the mineral, vegetable, and animal streams of life which make up the physical body. The body-consciousness of our three temporal bodies, have promptings, desires, and wants of their own, and that is that "law in my members, warring against the law of my mind" of which St. Paul speaks.

Man's work in life and death is to control his vehicles and use their energies to accomplish the work mapped out for him by his accumulated Karma, acquired in by the ego just before descent of its corresponding part, the personality, into incarnation. This personality may succeed in accomplishing the planned work for that incarnation or he may fail, according to the amount of will-power in the ego and his knowledge how to exercise it. The individuality is the "higher self," the "Daemon" of Plato, and its three attributes are spirit, intuition and abstract mind, or will, wisdom and activity. The personality is the lower self, composed of the concrete mind, the desire nature, and

the physical functions, and its three temporal bodies which have a life of their own of a much earlier order.

At death the personality loses only the densest body, continuing to live in the body of feelings, till the force put during earth life into selfish desires, becomes exhausted. This process lasts usually from 5 to 40 years. At the end of it the personality passes into a new consciousness, that of its own concrete thoughts, tinged with selfishness, in which the personality remains till the force poured into them has become exhausted. Then the mental body, the last remnant of the personality, is cast aside, and the individuality, the ego, is once more himself, with all his energies, reaping the harvest of all unselfish activity on earth and the intermediate worlds. It is here that the individuality transmutes the experience of the personality into character and abilities. And these are the four seeds sown on earth, and in the intermediate worlds that flower into blissful expansion of consciousness in the heaven world:—Love of friends, love of God, love of humanity at large, love of truth and beauty.

After a period of perfect bliss and expansion, in consciousness the ego once more puts down a part of himself into incarnation to become a new personality, which then enters another "day" in the school of the Creator on earth.

"Man's work in life and death is to discover what he is, what is the world, and what is the Creator in Whom we live and move and have our being. Ages of experience, many lives on earth are required before he begins to grasp the great architectural plan of God and its idea—spiritual unfoldment into the full perfection of the Creator. All life is a workshop where he is taught his work and many are the instructors who come to help him; these are the religions and the philosophies, the sciences and the arts of his time, also, all the sufferings, inflicted upon himself by ignorance of the law of the universe. But most welcome of his instructors can be the hidden wisdom known as Theosophy, which reveals God's plan with such a fascination to the mind, with such an aspiration to the heart, as have not yet been found in any other revelation." ("First Principles of Theosophy" by C. Tinari-Jadana).



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LONDON COMEDIES TO BE SHOWN.

SEASON AT THE "STAR."

"The Quants" (Mr. R. B. Salisbury's Company) need no introduction to Hongkong theatre-goers.

On Friday, March 19, they will present "The Sport of Kings" at 9.30 p.m. at the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon. This is a racing comedy, by Ian Hay. Coming at the beginning of the local turf season, it should be doubly appropriate. This piece has been a great success at the Savoy Theatre, London. The Indian critiques were loud in their praises of this attraction.

Included in the Company's repertoire is, "No, No, Nanette," that world famous comedy, "The Ghost Train" and "The Unfair Sex."

Two other shows will follow on March 20 and 21. Mr. J. Young, the popular advance manager, is in the Colony, attending to details. Further announcements will be made in due course.

Ian Hay is famous for his "First Hundred Thousand," and is one of the most successful and sporting of soldier writers. He personally supervised the rehearsals of "The Quants" and predicted excellent results.

Fresh from its laurels, gained in India and Malaya, the company is certain to draw bumper houses during its brief stay here.

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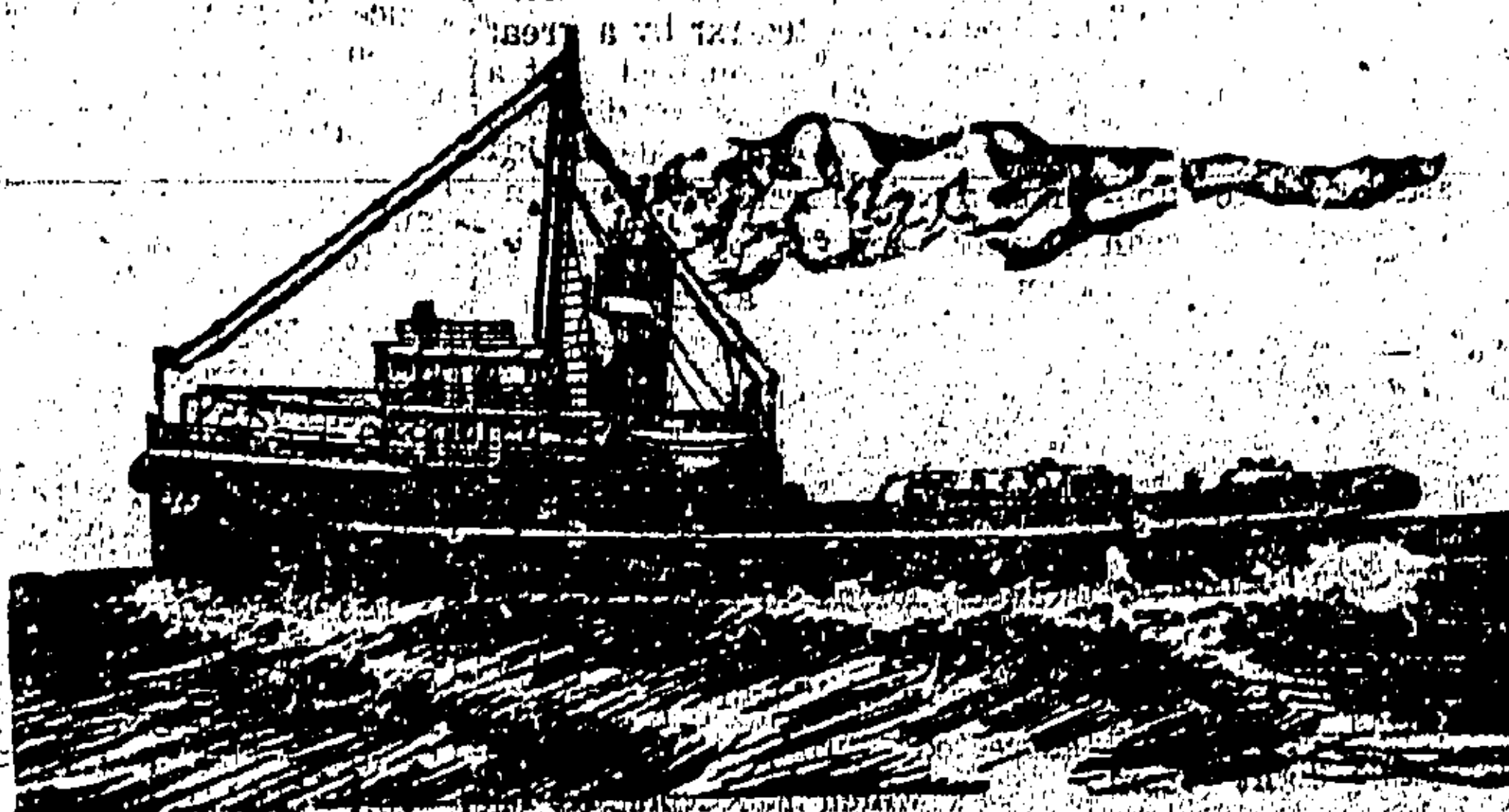
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A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

In things that matter—by which are now generally accepted questions relating to the strike and the boycott—Hongkong has had another quiet week. "Nothing new" is the order of each day, although there is gradually arising a quiet under-current of greater confidence than has been known for some months. One important piece of intelligence is that the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council is to consider on Monday the advisability of re-opening the Statistical Department of the Imports and Exports Office, the closing of which some time ago was decided upon by the Government in connection with its economy campaign. Strong representations have been made by the General Chamber of Commerce in favour of re-opening the Department. There are other factors than the mere monetary saving of a few thousand dollars to be taken into consideration. It is known that the Colony has suffered trade losses through the strike and the boycott; but naturally it is impossible to assess these properly without a Statistical Department, nor can comparisons be made in the current year with previous periods unless that Department is functioning. In short, it would appear to be nothing short of false economy to delay the re-opening. In other purely local affairs, the annual Race meeting has, as usual, been responsible for good displays of sportsmanship, not to mention the attraction to thousands of the inevitable cash sweeps. And mention may also be made of the latest success of the Hongkong A.D.C. in its staging of "It."

In the domain of Imperial questions a good start has been made with the flight from Cairo to Cape undertaken by the Royal Air Force, but it was unfortunate that the aeroplane flight from Karachi to London had to be abandoned on the Persian coast owing to acute engine trouble after a struggle against sand storms and mist. India's complaint against unfair Japanese competition has been voiced once more by Sir H. A. Wadia, who suggested that the Government of India should introduce a measure on the basis of the Safeguarding

of Industries Act in Great Britain.

On the international horizon only one question has loomed largely—the controversy over the Council of the League of Nations and its enlargement either with the admission of Germany or over and above that nation's election to a permanent seat. The Home Press has been "nervy" and hysterical all along, nothing being said by Sir Austen Chamberlain in his long speech in the House of Commons on Thursday to soothe the ruffled feelings of his Press and political critics. As stated in effect in this column yesterday, Mr. Chamberlain, on China's application for a permanent seat in the League of Nations, nothing is to be gained by "crossing the bridge before we come to it," for it will indeed come as a distinct surprise if the claims of nations other than Germany are disposed of at this month's meeting at Geneva. But, by being deferred till September, those other claims will stand immeasurably to gain by being considered in an atmosphere more akin to cordiality and goodwill than that of the moment. In regard to other foreign affairs, China's civil wars are once again providing the Northern papers with plenty of material. The stage has been set for another clash of arms between the rival war lords, among whom the "Christian" General, Feng Yu-shiang, has once again emerged from his brief period of obscurity and taken the field with the Kuomintang forces. Apparently the Chinese war lords have never heard of the Locarno spirit and the necessity for its application in domestic as well as foreign affairs.

POLICE SERVICE.

We may soon expect to see the establishment of a Naval Volunteer Defence Corps, a fact accomplished. We should like to say the same of a Police Reserve. The absence of this Reserve has been a minor wonder. During the war the then Reserve did a magnificent work. It accomplished more than it set out to do. It proved how the interesting units of our cosmopolitan life could combine for the common good, and meet on the common ground of service. The Reserve was uncommonly well directed. It was not merely served by patriotism. Efficiency was aimed at and achieved. It gave interest to those who patrolled, and by its lectures on police law, the problems it put at various examinations on procedure in certain circumstances, added to knowledge. It ceased on the conclusion of war, to be somewhat half-heartedly resurrected during the two upheavals which have affected the Colony. An attempt should be made to revive the Reserve. Its numbers who would gladly give their services who had no inclination to join the Volunteers or may not be attracted to the proposed Naval Corps. Recent military exercises remain memories. The fact that it was with us. It is not suggested that the Reserve of a Police Reserve.

abolish these things. It might help indirectly in that direction. But such a body is needed—not as a weapon of offence, but one of defence only; one that will help make our young men take an interest in local affairs and in the life of the many—misunderstood perhaps—in whose midst they live, or with whom they are in close proximity.

THEY SAY THAT—

Every class and every party has its pet economy and its pet extravagance.—Mr. Churchill.

I hate reading the newspapers.—Father Ronald Knox.

If I were to take a census of opinion in all the four villages of my parish, I am certain I should find a majority seriously professing belief in witchcraft.—The Rev. Charles Kent.

In any group where women are the attitude towards life degenerates.—Lady Rhonda.

There seems to be an inherent belief that if a thing is bad it must be popular.—Mr. Filson Young.

Cramming knowledge down a child's throat, as it is at present done, is not education.—Lord Southwark.

A cathedral offers few opportunities for nude figures.—Mr. Ralph Adams Cram.

LORD WILLINGDON.

CORDIAL WELCOME FROM ALL CHINESE.

The "N.C. Daily News" of last Monday reports—Lord Willingdon, Chairman of the delegation to advise the Statutory Committee with regard to the disposition of the British Boxer Indemnity funds, left yesterday morning about 11 o'clock by the "Hainan." Lord Willingdon was accompanied by Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector-General of Customs, and by Mr. R. F. Johnston, secretary of the delegation. It is expected that they will return about the middle of March to meet the other members of the delegation, Dame Adelaide Anderson and Professor Southwell, who are arriving by different routes. Whether the delegation will make Shanghai or Peking the main base for its deliberations is undecided, but it is probable that it will at least open its sittings here.

When seen by a representative of the "North China Daily News," yesterday Lord Willingdon expressed great satisfaction with the results of his visit in Shanghai. "While three days is a short time on which to base an opinion, and while my activities here have been entirely social and not official," said he, "I cannot help feeling that the spirit of kindness and co-operation everywhere manifested is a very happy augury. I have been privileged to meet a great many prominent Chinese gentlemen and personally I have not been able to discover any of that anti-British feeling which has been so widely advertised.

The Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce very graciously gave me luncheon for me, the Chinese Commissioner of Foreign Affairs gave us a dinner party, I had tea with Mr. Tong Shao-yi, and also with Lord Li Ching-mei. At the Consulate-General Mr. Barton has given luncheons and dinner parties to meet many of the Chinese and I have had interviews with four or five of their prominent leaders. In feeling I have in all these instances that I have formed contacts with people who are anxious to assist the delegation in making its inquiries and who will be willing to place at their sources of information at its service. Besides all this," he added, "attended the races, and saw for the first time that famous institution, the China pony. Really, this has been a remarkably pleasant three days."

On Thursday, a Chinese case of enteric fever was found in the Victoria district.

His Excellency the Governor has, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, recognised Mr. John Theophilus Bagram as Vice-Consul for Siam at Hongkong.

His Excellency the Governor, in virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 4 (1) of the Regulations Ordinance, 1926, Ordinance No. 1 of 1926, has appointed Mr. Arthur Dyer, B.A., to be a Justice of the Peace, and to be an official member of the Executive Council for a further period of five years, with effect from March 1.

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SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The little man dashed excitedly into the police station in the early hours of the morning.

"My wife's disappeared," he shouted to the sergeant. "Oh, find her. You must find her!" "We'll try," answered the officer. "Now, then, description. Height?" "I don't know."

"Weight?"

A puzzled shake of the head was the only answer.

"Do you know what she would have been wearing?"

"I suppose she had her hat and coat on," answered the other.

"And she might have taken the dog?"

"What was the dog like?" asked the sergeant.

"Black-and-white, fox terrier, brown blaze on the front of his face. Leather brass-studded collar with a name on it. Small hole in the lobe of his left ear, scar in the centre of the back. Two teeth missing."

"That'll do," gasped the sergeant. "We'll find the dog."

Here is a letter from Conrad's Chinese, contributed to a Home Literary Journal which has a local flavour.

Sir—Many times the attempts of authors to represent a Chinese pronunciation of words with "r" in them have been a cause of slight amusement, but on reading Conrad's "Victory" recently I was amazed to find that he makes a Chinese say "revolver" for "revolver."

The sound of the letter "r" has no difficulty for any Chinese, and is probably the commonest sound in the language, as indicated by the fact that every Chinese is called familiarly by the sound "r," as a prefix to his name, thus Mr. Wong Sing is called R. Sing or Ah Sing by his friends. The sound of "r" in the name itself is common, as for example, Chan Harr, a well-known business man in Hongkong, or Mah Lam.

The uneducated classes of Chinese do have a difficulty with the sound "r," "ra," and "ro," and it is here that the "r" sound would be heard. A coolie speaking of a river would say "liver," but certainly not "liver."

Strangely enough, many Japanese have a difficulty with the "r" sound and would call an aeroplane a "frying machine" instead of "flying machine."

Another strange lapse in the same book, written, I believe, in 1912, is that reference is made to the mandarin who governs Formosa. The fact that Formosa was a Japanese possession since the China-Japan war in the 'nineties had evidently been forgotten.

Yours, etc.,
A.S.T.

THE HIGHWAYMAN'S BAR.

The unknown highwayman who rode his horse along Lansdowne passage and up the stone steps has won immortal fame for his deed. The visitor to the London Museum in remote ages will see the iron bar set up to prevent other gentlemen of the road from doing likewise, and wonder, like Mr. Pickwick, that such things could be. But, in fact, the Lansdowne passage bar gives a miserably inadequate notion of the perils of eighteenth century London. The Lord Mayor presented a petition to George II. against the "evil-disposed persons," armed with dangerous weapons, who "infested notoriously the private lanes and passages, but likewise the public streets and places of usual concourse, committing most daring outrages upon his Majesty's subjects." That was in 1744. Half a century was to pass before things grew better. Highwaymen commonly rode into Hyde Park at dusk, fastened their horses to the railings, and went out to stop "chairs, carriages, and pedestrians." In 1749, Horace Walpole coming back by moonlight from Holland House to Arlington-street was stopped in Hyde Park by two gentlemen of the road, and "the pistol of one of them going off accidentally" was within an ace of killing him, and actually grazed his eye. One of these heroes was the great Maclean, "the gentleman highwayman," who went to Tyburn next year. On a Sunday night in that year another attacked a post-chaise in Piccadilly, rode over the watchman, almost killed him, and escaped. Twenty years later, in spite of horse patrols, two towns were not less perilous. "A most audacious fellow," robbed Sir Francis Holburne and his sister in their coach in St. James's square, coming from the opera. He was on horseback, and held a pistol close to the breast of one of the Miss Holburnes for a considerable time. She had left her purse at home, which he would not believe. Two other ladies were stopped in East-coach between Green-street and The Prince Regent, and robbed. The Prince Regent, though scandalised, said there was only one way to deal with highwaymen—kill them. In 1774, Mr. Justice Yates, after a

whom Walpole tells, used to carry a "purse" with only bad money for the special benefit of highwaymen. When it grew towards evening a bell was tolled in Kensington Gardens at intervals to give people warning when others were going back to town, that they might form parties strong enough to defend themselves. But your gentleman of the road was not always without his uses. When the younger Pitt was fighting his pitched battle against the Fox and North coalition, he boasted, so the story goes, to a fair Whig dame that one of the Northern county seats was safe: "Five thousand guineas go down to-night by a sure hand." "The deuce they do!" said the lady, and took counsel with her friends. The Treasury messenger was stopped on the Great North Road by a convenient highwayman. The only incredible thing in the story is that Pitt should have talked freely of a woman.



Ed. Granger's "History of the Highwaymen of America," 1894, says that in 1774, Mr. Justice Yates, after a

PEKING CABINET.

NEW MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

W. W. YEN DOUBTFUL.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, March 5.
Three mandates were issued this morning appointing Feng Yu-hsiang, Chia Teh-yao and the Cabinet as in the forecast yesterday, with the single alteration that Lu Tsin is Minister of Justice instead of Tang Yi.
The new members include W. W. Yen, Yang Wen-kai, Chu Yung-kuang and Lu Hsin. Yang Wen-kai was recently Sun Chuan-fang's Chief of Staff. Chu Yung-kuang is non-party beyond being a follower of Tuan Chih-jui.
A preliminary mandate accepts the resignations of Hsu Shih-ying and his colleagues.
It is doubtful whether W. W. Yen will accept the Foreign Minister's portfolio, which was mandated without his consent.
The new Cabinet contains supporters both of Tuan Chih-jui (who as Chief Executive is practically President) and Feng Yu-hsiang, as well as certain well-known non-party men such as W. W. Yen.

The Cabinet as revised is as follows:

- Chia Teh-yao, Premier, and Minister for War.
- W. W. Yen, Foreign Minister.
- Chu Yung-kuang, Minister of the Interior.
- Ho Teh-lin, Finance Minister.
- Kung Hsin-chan, Minister of Communications.
- Tu Hsi-lueh, Minister of the Navy.
- Lu Tsin, Minister of Justice.
- Ma Chan-wu, Minister of Education.
- Yang Wen-kai, Minister of Agriculture.
- Teng Han-hsiang, Chief Secretary to the Cabinet.

AROUND TIENTSIN.

CONSIDERABLE SUCCESSES FOR ALLIES.

DEFEAT FOR FENG.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, March 5.
Reports of fighting in Honan and around Tientsin show that Wu Pei-fu and Chang Tso-lin have hitherto gained considerable successes in combination against the Kuo-min-chun.
The appointment of Feng Yu-hsiang, mentioned in a previous message, means that the Government is recalling him to fight the Wu Pei-fu—Chang Tso-lin combination.
Feng Yu-hsiang's Second Army has already suffered a severe defeat in Honan, but his First Army, which is well disciplined, is now coming into action in the vicinity of Tientsin.

MONEY TO LEND.

BAVARIA R. C. CHURCH AS BORROWER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, March 4.
Arrangements have been completed by New York bankers for a twenty years \$5,000,000 loan to the Roman Catholic Church of Bavaria.
This is the first long term public loan to be negotiated in Wall Street by a religious organization.

SALE OF ANTIQUES.

LEVERHULME COLLECTION IN NEW YORK.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, March 5.
The auction of the Leverhulme collection of antiques concluded last night, and yielded a total of a million and a quarter dollars.

BANK NOTES.

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 28th February, 1926, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:

Banks	Average Amount in Circulation	Specie in Reserve
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$14,000,000	\$5,000,000
Bank of China and Shanghai Bank	\$10,000,000	\$1,000,000
Bank of Communications	\$10,000,000	\$1,000,000
Bank of India, Ltd.	\$1,000,000	\$500,000
Total	\$35,000,000	\$7,500,000

In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,977,000.

In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$3,100,000.

In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$200,000.

ONE REASON.

WHY NATIVE BANKS HAD TO CLOSE.

"GOLD MOUNT" CUT OFF.

[By "Li" Chung-yin.]

An incorrect impression may be gained through reading the report of the "China Mail's" Pakkai correspondent (published on Thursday) that half the native banks in Sanwei city and Kongmoon city closed down after China New Year.

From what I know of the customs in the Sze Yap districts—the two places named being the most important centres of trade—the "financial crisis" must have been due, rather, to the lack of individual deposits, than to an unforeseen mercantile crash.

The Sze Yap means the "four districts" (which form the hinterland of Kongmoon). Very poor productively and comparatively, most of the natives emigrate. A large proportion of those in Hongkong are of the poorer classes. Quite a number find employment as cargo, richa, or chair coolies. Males who either have the means, or the connections, take considerable risk when trying their fortunes in various parts of America.

Unless one is blessed to the extent of being a subject of the United States, much ingenuity—necessitating the outlay of anything round \$2,000—is needed to get a man to "Kum Shan." This is the name for California and America generally, it having originated during the gold rush of 1849 when, possibly, the first Chinese emigrants arrived there.

From artisans, the wanderers have gradually built up thriving institutions, the majority of which are chop-suey restaurants or laundries. At any rate, money is made and savings therefore remitted home, for investment in padi fields and other property.

There are in Hongkong a number of "Kum Shan" firms, transacting in Police documents as "California" exporters. Their business is to arrange passages and, incidentally, passports, for emigrants, transmit correspondence and money, and to execute orders for home goods by clients abroad.

At one time this was a remunerative proposition. A draft in Hongkong dollars would be paid out to the beneficiary in Canton subsidiary silver coins, so that the "agent" made all the premium (anything from 10 to 20 per cent.). These firms dealt with couriers (sometimes described as travelling traders), who made regular journeys between Hongkong and some up-country village, where each man was permanently established. They made a charge of about two per cent. and the relatives at home got the balance.

With competition in recent years, the stay-at-homes have had much better terms. When communication was severed last year, intercourse was practically impossible. Toward the end of the Chinese year, huge sums are sent back to the Sze Yap by bread-winners in far-off lands. This year the actual cash could not get through. My supposition is that the native banks, which finance the purely domestic trade, must have felt the pinch of not getting the deposits and so had to close their doors.

A.D.C. SHOW.

ANOTHER SUCCESS LAST NIGHT.

"If" was again presented by the Hongkong A.D.C. last night when another appreciative house paid deserved tribute to the success.

Even though some went for the first time, expecting a very high standard, nobody was disappointed. One looked for something beyond the ordinary and got it.

Criticism in detail has already been made. From the view of one who saw "If" only last night, it can only be said that all that has been written can be endorsed. The writer is of the opinion that every part in the whole counts—as a whole, or as so many parts, the presentation is something Hongkong can be proud of, and a matter for talk for many years to come.

COUNCIL MEETING.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held in the Council Chamber on Monday afternoon at four o'clock, when the following Bills will be introduced by the Attorney General:
1. Ordinance to give the Governor in Council power to order refund of rates.
2. First reading of a Bill introduced by the Government to amend the Ordinance to repeal certain enactments imposing disabilities on former enemy aliens.

HOSPITAL WORK.

NEW WING AT KWONG WAH.

INAUGURAL CEREMONY.

A new wing at the Kwong Wah Hospital was inaugurated yesterday, the ceremony being performed by the Hon. Mr. D. W. Trautman (Secretary for Communications). There was a representative gathering of Europeans and Chinese present.

Mr. Wong Chung-yee, (Chairman of the Hospital Board) in asking Mr. Trautman to perform the ceremony said that the extension had been rendered necessary owing to lack of accommodation, especially for in-patients. Mr. Wong also referred to the aid which had been rendered in the matter of raising funds by the late Mr. Chan Kang-u and the directors of the Tung Wah Hospital. They were much indebted to the following firms and gentlemen for their generous donations:—Canton Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Co., \$5,000; the late Mr. Kan Chiu-nam, \$2,500; Messrs. Chan Pui-sun and Chan Ping-hin, \$2,500; the total amount subscribed being \$28,000; also to the Government for their free grant of land and to Mr. Lau Pui-sang for undertaking to erect the building they were about to open, for his low price.

In conclusion, the Chairman of the Hospital said they earnestly looked forward to increased generosity on behalf of the public to enable them to meet the many calls made upon the hospital.

In performing the opening ceremony, Mr. Trautman referred to some phases of the work of the Tung Wah Hospital with which most people were unacquainted. In addition to the medical work done at the institution, other matters such as the repatriation of shipwrecked sailors and relief of famine in distant parts were attended to.

Simultaneously with Mr. Trautman's unlocking the door, a string of crackers was fired at the gateway leading into the hospital grounds.

Dr. Addison also had a few words to say and remarked upon the inestimable assistance which a trained nurse was to a medical officer in a hospital. He considered it a happy idea that with the opening of the new wing the directors were also presenting certificates to the nurses.

Mrs. Trautman presented the certificates in question and the Hon. Mr. Trautman said that before they dispersed he would like on his own behalf, and on behalf of the whole Chinese community, to thank Mrs. Hickling for the magnificent work she had done. Throughout the Colony from Shanghai to Shantung there had been a whole difference in the treatment of the sick, and more than all it had been due to such wonderful assistance as was given by Mrs. Hickling.

The chairman then presented the Hon. Mr. Trautman with a miniature gold key in the shape of a tie pin, and Mr. Trautman returned thanks for the present.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per D.L. s.s. "Pres. Wilson" on Mar. 5:—Mrs. Geo. A. Ralph, Mr. J. R. Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rosales, Mr. L. F. Schroeder, Mr. S. G. Greene, Mr. Kim Ching, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wright, Mr. A. M. Kirby, Mr. J. L. Dinkelspiel, Mr. Fee Yu-hung, Mr. Chen Ping-huang, Mr. Hsu Yuen, Mr. Y. Kawanon, Mr. W. D. Pope, Mr. Walter E. Antim, Mr. C. Yagi, Mr. T. Watanabe, Mr. J. Ascona, Miss E. Ascona, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ascona, Miss H. Ascona, Miss A. De La Rama, Miss L. De La Rama, Mr. H. M. Cavender, Miss J. Carrialla, Mr. W. H. Perkins, Mr. C. Pierce, Mr. E. B. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Saffie, Mr. O. Aligado, Miss R. Allen, Mr. J. Alter, Mr. B. Anthony, Mr. M. R. Bell, Mr. W. C. Brune, Mr. W. R. Cothran, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Croft, Master A. J. Croft, Mr. Miss P. J. Croft, Mr. L. A. Garrard, Mr. J. Gonzalez, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Griffith, Mr. H. J. Healy, Mr. H. Honerlah, Miss J. Hoyt, Mr. L. E. Johnson, Miss C. Kaufman, Miss Kaufman, and Mrs. A. M. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Mathews, Miss B. Mathews, Mr. A. Menchaca, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Mueger, Miss J. Sudduth.

Mrs. Sun Yat-sen left for the north yesterday in the "President Jefferson."

Lt. Com. G. F. Hole, R.N. (Harbour Master), Rev. G. T. Waldegrave and Mr. F. Baylis constitute the board to investigate appeals for help during the present time by officers of the British mercantile marine. The Government announced again today that assistance would be given. On Thursday, the board investigated the first batch of requests sent in to the Harbour Office.

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Recently the Central Flood Relief Committee reported that in all three million guilders, or roughly, 2250,000, had been collected for this object.

The Consul-General expresses heartfelt thanks to all contributors.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per R. & O. s.s. "Morea" on Mar. 5:—Dr. and Mrs. Learmouth, Mr. E. R. Hine, Mr. J. B. Lambourn, Mr. D. T. James, Mr. and Mrs. P. Field, Master Field, Mr. A. C. Vickers, Mrs. B. Verner, Col. and Mrs. R. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. I. Tipping, Mr. I. J. Cowan, Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Southill, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Crombie, Misses Crombie, Mr. F. Usher, Mr. R. Lapper, Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. D. Fraser, Mr. A. Malcolm, Mr. and Mrs. de Valois, Miss F. de Lusigny, Master de Lusigny, Mr. and Mrs. N. Chadderson, Mr. C. Chadderson, Sister M. Katherine, Mr. F. Crockett, Miss J. Slater, Miss Sander-son, Mrs. T. Nixon, Miss Spies, Mrs. Clarridge, Mr. E. H. Sexton, Mrs. D. Mathieson, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. T. C. Marshall, Mrs. R. J. Marshall, Misses Marshall, (2), Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Meicafie, Lady D. Hsieh, Mrs. Park, Baroness Clifford, Mr. H. Chan, Engr. Condr. L. Sweetlove, Mr. D. B. Clark, Mr. R. Schlee, Col. T. Y. Wright, Capt. J. Oudney, Mr. W. K. Tait, Mr. T. C. Hoskins, Miss M. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hill, Mr. H. V. Walker, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Mole, Mr. C. M. Keenana, Rev. P. Scott, Dr. J. Stewart, Miss Hunt, Rev. and Mrs. Walker, Miss Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Cosmas, Mr. C. Kabayama, Mrs. Lind, Mr. K. W. Foster, Rev. R. Boville, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jennings, Mr. R. J. Carter, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Cooper, Mr. T. Simpson, Mr. C. W. Starnes, Dame A. Anderson, Mr. C. K. Yuen, Mr. W. F. Laker, Mr. Keswick, Mr. B. D. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bond, Mr. G. S. Windeyer, Mr. T. W. Billington, Miss E. Ward, Miss Duncan, Mrs. J. Hewart, Mr. C. Wood, Mr. W. E. Baker, Miss Dawson, Miss Jarvis, Mr. C. Goodman, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Wolfendale.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" from Hongkong arrived Marseilles yesterday at 9 a.m.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months from date, the Costa Music Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the registry of companies and be dissolved.

A dog was seized at Kowloon City yesterday and sent to Kennedy Town for observation. The animal bit a Chinese woman at the Lee Sun eating house and she was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.



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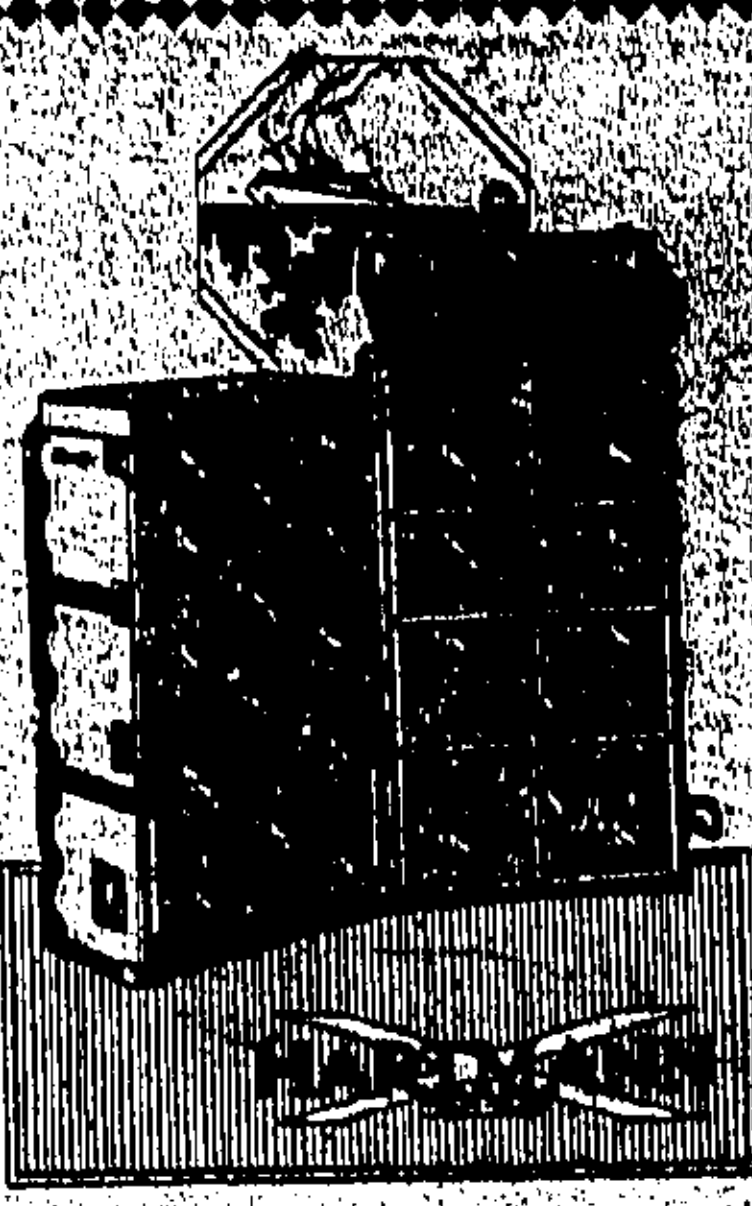
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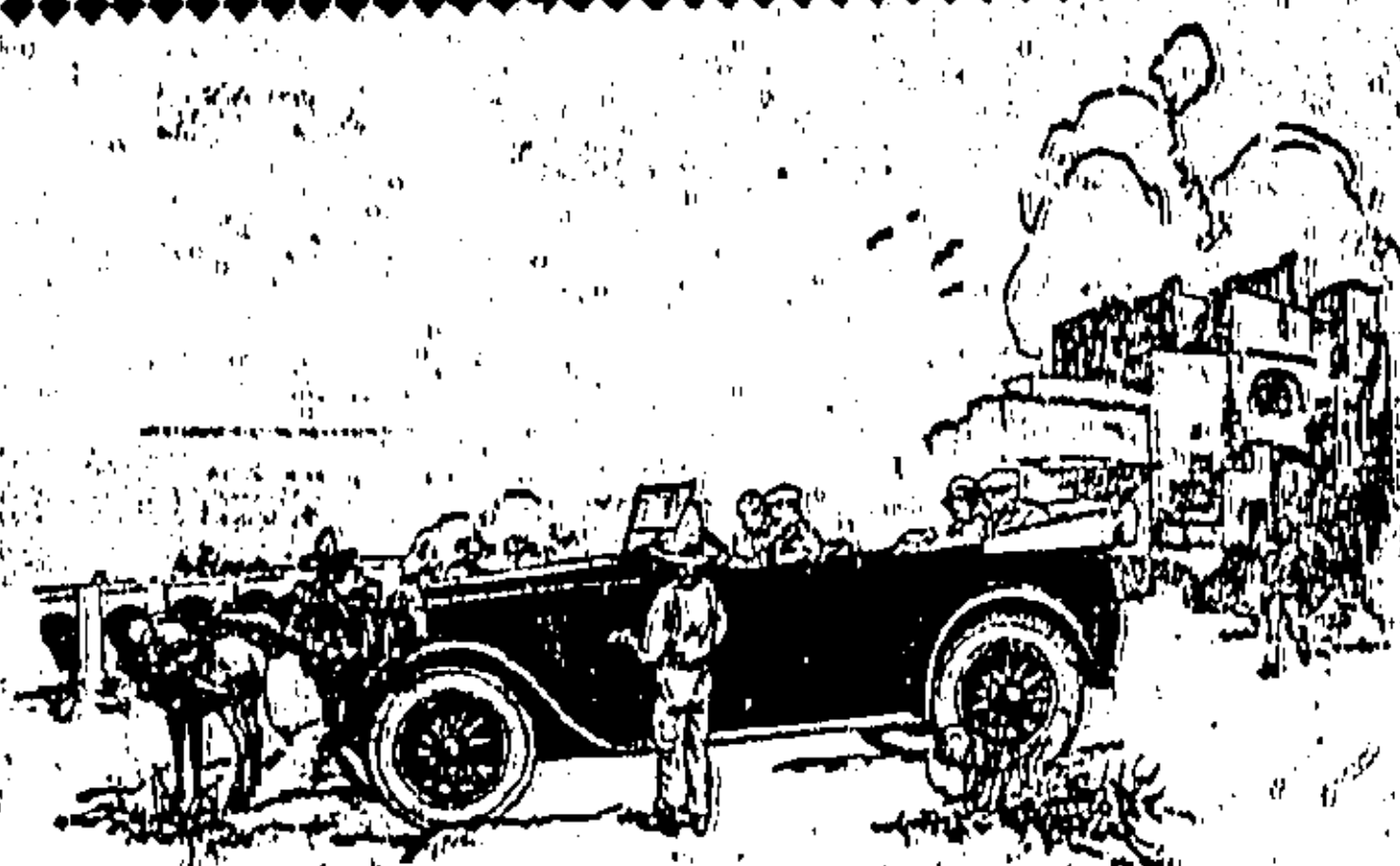
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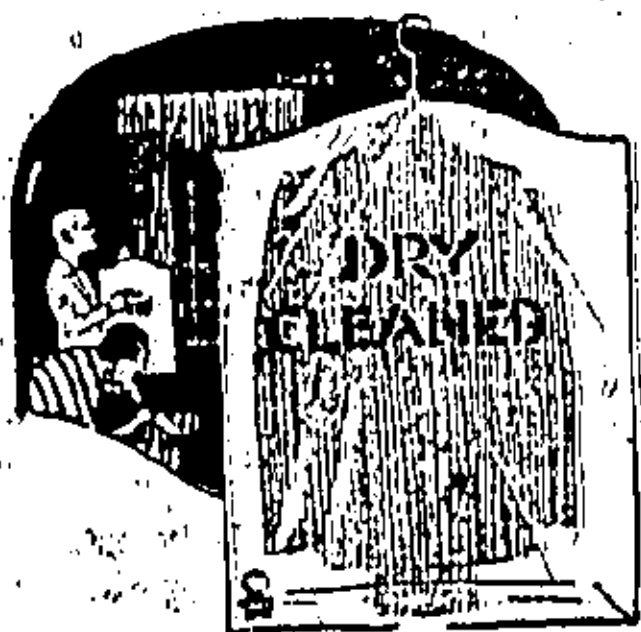
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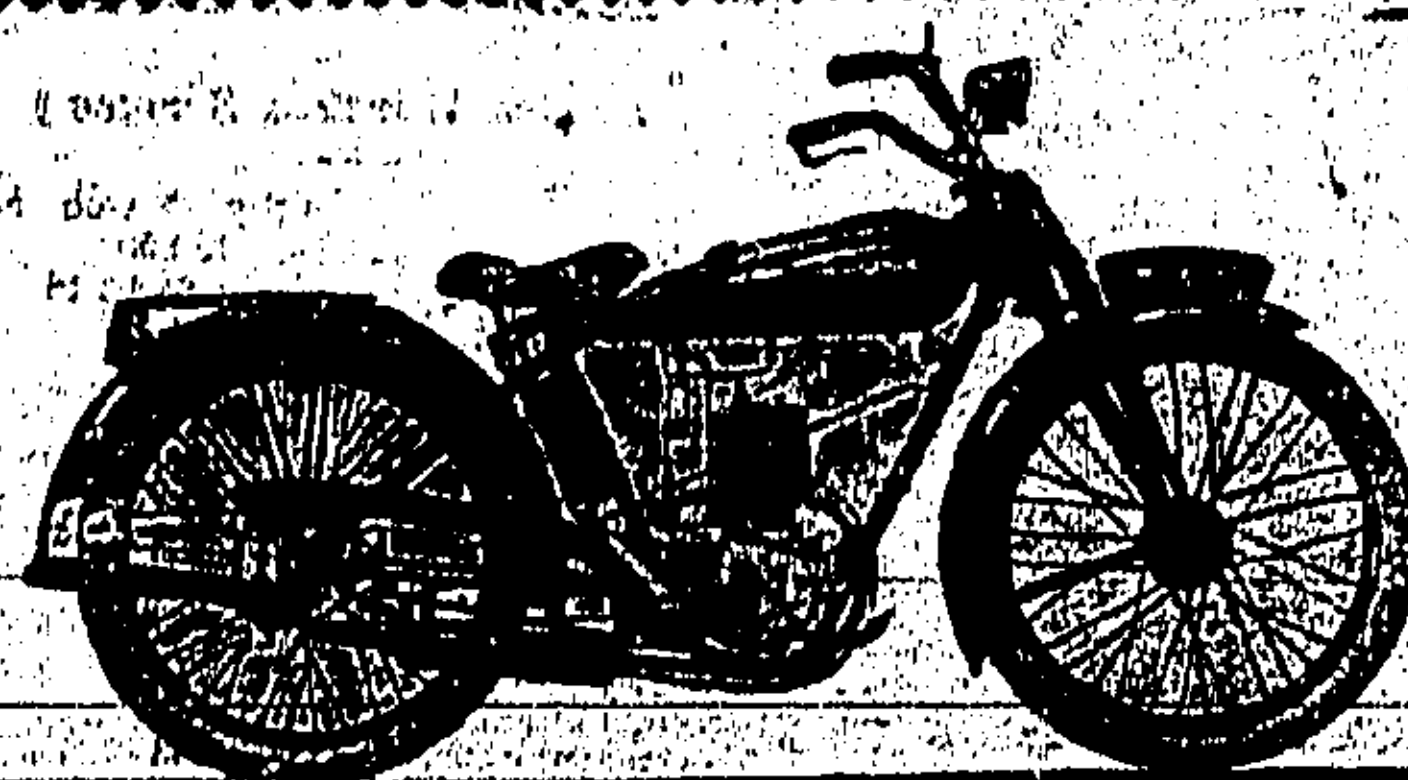
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Emil Danenberg's piano recital takes place on Tuesday next at 5.30 p.m. in the City Hall.

"There are at least ten million pairs of eyes in this country which will need optical attention during their owners' lives," Mr. F. T. Gregg, secretary, Institute of Ophthalmic Opticians, at Hanley.

Policemen on point duty in Birmingham have been provided with small rubber mats, which effectively insulate them from the cold and damp. Those who have used them say the mats have greatly reduced the number of colds from which men on traffic direction duty suffer.

The Belgian Chamber voted by 119 to 10, with nine members absenting, the proposed law fixing the total army quota for 1926 at 77,500. This number shows a decrease of 5,300 men over 1925. The period of service for infantry is shortened from 12 to 10 months and from 13 to 11 for specialised branches.

At the Folkestone Police Court on February 1, Henry Weinhouse, said to be an American subject, was brought up on a charge of having 2 lb. of opium on landing at Folkestone Harbour from Boulogne. The Chief Constable said the Scotland Yard authorities had stated that defendant was associated with a gang of international "crooks." Sentence of three months' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

The Lord Mayor, at the Farringdon Ward Club annual banquet referred to the visit of the French police. He recalled that on a previous occasion the Paris police came to London to study traffic control. When they returned 15 men were put on point duty in Paris. Some time later a deputation from London made inquiry as to the results of this experiment, and were informed that 12 of the 15 men who had been put on point duty had been killed or run over.

Wagga (N.S.W.) police have a sense of humour. An abandoned Ford was recently gathered up and run into the pound along with stray cows and goats.

Even in the heart of Central Africa the Monomark is to be found. Far from civilisation a bronze tablet has been erected by a bereaved father to the memory of his daughter. The designer and sculptor is a Londoner, Mr. Lander, and the work is signed with the Monomark of his firm. Thus travellers, who venture in the remote village of Nyanbadwe will see one of the first Monomarks to find its way into the jungle.

Labour members of Willemsden Council have asked that the use of Latin words and phrases, such as—

Vide, Prima facie, Locum tenens, Ultra vires, and Locus in quo, "Nem con" shall be discontinued in the council agenda. One of the Labour councillors, who is a Master of Arts, said the chief objection was that these phrases were often misapplied and misspelt.

The United States Lines, in a statement issued in London say that to accommodate American students, who will visit Europe in large numbers during the coming summer, the United States liner "Republic" has undergone extensive reconditioning for tourists business, and a special dance floor, and other new and attractive features have been added to the liner's equipment. Six college orchestras have been engaged to furnish jazz for the dancers on the Republic and other ships of the fleet. Princeton in the trans-Atlantic run this summer, while Yale, Harvard, the University of New York and the University of Pennsylvania, will each be represented by the best musical talent the college affords. The season will begin with the arrival of a large group of students at Plymouth and Cherbourg on board the "Republic" on the seventh of April.

In honour of two champion Friesian cows—mother and daughter—who have made a British Friesian milking record, a great banquet was held in Belfast. Together they yielded 6,000 gallons in a year. The Governor-General of the Free State and Sir James Craig sent messages; the owner was toasted; and photographs of the animals were given a place of honour in the room.

The Soviet authorities have added to their collection of regal relics a museum of historic state carriages, including the splendid vehicles in which Peter the Great, Catherine I, Elizabeth I, Catherine II, the three Alexanders and Nicholas II rode. This is in keeping with the policy of the Government, itself strongly set against everything smacking of monarchism, to preserve all souvenirs of the rulers of the old regime, so the peasants and workers of the new era may see how the sovereigns of Imperial Russia lived.

A Bricklayer who claimed that he had lost 75 jobs through being victimised by his union, asked for the help of a London magistrate but he was told the magistrate could do nothing for him. He said that on one job they were all asked to work longer on account of the housing shortage and he did 8½ hours' work that day. This, he said, was the reason he was turned out of his union, and he was now unable to get work at all because he was not allowed to work. He wanted to get his union card back, but he could not do so.

A bill which is to be introduced into the Johore Council of State prohibits the employment as domestic servants of girls under 10 years of age. It also attempts to abolish the alleged practice of obtaining women and girls as mul saal—a species of domestic servitude. The bill further requires the employer of a female domestic servant under 18 years of age to provide such servant with wages, food, clothes and medical attendance. The Protector is given wide powers for carrying out the purposes of the bill.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

At the present moment there are almost 3,000 overseas students in the University of London.

His Highness the Sultan of Johore has been pleased to recognise Mr. D. J. Ward as Consul of Belgium for Johore.

Mr. Courtenay Crocker is shortly leaving Siam for good. He is to be succeeded as Advisor in Foreign Affairs by Mr. Raymond Bartlett Stevens, who is expected to arrive next month.

Queen Marie, of Roumania, is to turn scenarist for motion pictures at Culver City, California. It is announced that the Royal author has signed a contract to write an original story for immediate screen production.

Captain H. J. S. Brownrigg, who is well known on the China Station, has been selected for the appointment of Gunnery Division, with Captain P. Macnamara as Assistant Director—both appointments to date from March 1.

Mr. R. H. Greg, Minister to Siam, has been accredited by His Majesty King George V as His Special Envoy on the occasion of the King of Siam's Coronation. It will be recalled that Mr. Greg is going Home shortly and will be succeeded by Mr. S. P. Waterlow.

Mr. Geo. S. Parker, President of the Parker Pen Company, Mrs. Parker and their daughter have met with a motor accident in Ceylon. Mr. Parker and his daughter escaped but Mrs. Parker was somewhat injured. The party are making an Eastern tour and are expected to arrive in Singapore shortly.

"During the five years I have lived in India it has been my ever present desire to build up a fabric, which would benefit to the fullest extent the people I have grown to love so well," declared H. E. the Countess of Reading when opening the Delhi Baby Week Exhibition. It was stated that two million child lives were lost in India every year through preventable cause.

The Rev. Samuel Taylor, the new vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Carlisle, has informed his parishioners that he definitely intends to take a day's holiday each week. One day's rest in seven, he says, is the law of health and one of the Ten Commandments. As persons do not get Sundays off he proposes every Thursday to have nothing to do with parochial affairs.

Mr. Eric Rice of the Overseas League is a present in Japan.

Passengers arriving next week by the "Hakusan Maru" include Dr. J. P. Pehilly, and Mr. J. Johnstone.

The preachers to-morrow at St. John's Cathedral will be the Rev. G. E. S. Updell, H.C.F. (11 a.m.) and the Chaplain (6 p.m.)

The engagement is announced of David Evan, eldest son of the late Mr. R. H. and Mrs. Evans, of Talley, Llandilo, Carmarthenshire, and Vera Phyllis, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Stanley of Kennedy Road, Hongkong.

Mr. R. J. Remédios, one of the oldest residents in the Colony, celebrates to-day his Golden Jubilee in the service of the Mercantile Bank of India. He joined the old Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China in the year 1876 at the age of 17 on leaving the Government Central School (now Queen's College) and has worked his way to the position of chief clerk, which post he has been occupying ever since 1884.

The Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, will hold the 31st anniversary this Sunday. The preacher at 10.15 a.m. and 6 p.m. will be the Rev. Ernest A. Bastin. A tea (5 p.m., tickets 25 cents) and public meeting (6.15 p.m.) will be held at the "Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street, next Wednesday; the Rev. A. H. Bray, M.A., B.D., will preside; His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. R. D. Rees, M.A., and Mr. P. V. Early, M.B., will speak; Mr. E. E. Haggar is the soloist.

Portraits of Lord Carson and Sir James Craig, which have taken 12 years to complete, are to be taken to Belfast shortly by the artist and will hang in the City Hall. A 12 years' mystery will then be cleared up for the artist, Mr. Howard Robinson, who received his commission through a firm of publishers. It has never been told who ordered the paintings. Mr. Robinson thinks the features of his two subjects are essentially "Empire" features. "It was a 12 years' study of features," he said, "for that was the time that elapsed between my first sittings and my last of Lord Carson. Sir James Craig was almost complete before the war. They were two of the best sitters I have ever had and they are sitters I shall never forget from the peculiar spell they cast over me."

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McCann, formerly of Hongkong, took part in the Kobe A.D.C.'s production of "Lord Richard in the Pantry."

The engagement is announced between Mr. Charles W. Measor, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Measor, formerly of Shanghai, and Beryl, daughter of the late Mr. T. A. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson, of Ferriby House, North Ferriby, East Yorks.

The "Straits Times" hears that Sir Ronald Ross, who has been visiting Ceylon, has decided to return to England, postponing his contemplated visits to India and Malaya until next winter. He had invitations to go to Calcutta from the Indian Tea Association and the School of Tropical Medicine.

At the quarterly meeting of the Royal College of Physicians, on Jan. 28, a licence to practise medicine, surgery and midwifery was conferred upon T. M. Ling, B.A., Oxon., St. Thomas's Hospital. A diploma in ophthalmic medicine and surgery was conferred upon S. T. Wong, M.R.C.S., L.E.C.P.

News has been received in Kobe of the engagement of Mr. Siegfried E. Lindstrom of Kobe to Miss Ruth Fowler of California. Mr. Lindstrom, who is a Kobe boy, is the son of the Rev. H. Lindstrom, who has been a Christian missionary in Japan for the last 37 years. The marriage is expected to take place in Kobe in the middle of April.

In a reference to the Esher family concerning their love of animals, a writer in the "Weekly Dispatch" says:—The Rance of Sarawak, Lady Esher's daughter, had a pet python out in Sarawak. It used to show its affection for the Rajah by twining round his arm and squeezing it. Finally, the squeeze got so affectionate that his arm was nearly broken. Then the python was turned loose in the forest, but always returned and slept nightly on the roof, arriving with loud rustlings.

Dr. Annie Norton, aged 80, well known among American and Filipino residents of Manila, died at the Mary Johnston Hospital after an illness of about a week. Dr. Norton first came to the Philippines in 1900 as a missionary, but resigned in 1908. From that time she had been engaged in administering to the poor Filipinos residing in the Santa Mesa district, where she made her home. Quiet and efficient, she was beloved by her American and Filipino friends and patients.

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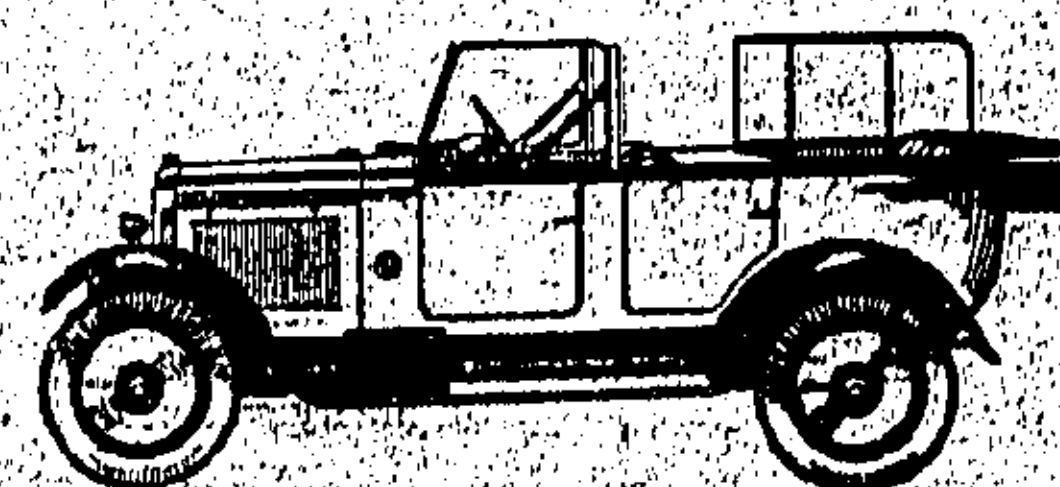
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CRICKET NOTES.

LEAGUE STATISTICS THIS SEASON.

TABLES AND COMMENT.

[By "Sentinel"]

Interest in cricket, apart from play on Sundays, was maintained this week in the meetings of the volunteers with the Army, the Royal Navy, and Kowloon. The Volunteers lost to the Army by 8 runs, defeated the Royal Navy by 121 runs, and also got the better of Kowloon by eight runs. The natives provided good practice as some of the volunteers, "United Nations" when it came to a question of determining Kowloon, then again Captain Rogers and Captain Walters, who between them compiled over 200 runs for the Army and contributed to their win, were next on the side of Kowloon.

In league matches last Saturday, both the Kowloon teams were beaten by the Hongkong C.C. and placed out of the running for championships.

There was nothing at stake for the Club 1st XI, but the rest of the deprived Kowloon of just a small chance they had of a tie with the Royal Navy, who now become champions in the senior league. The game was one-sided with the Club proving strong in the batting department and Kowloon out of luck when facing Bowler (8 for 20). Goodwin was disabled early on.

Prospects of working to the top of the junior league table were quite bright for Kowloon, but these were sacrificed when, without any reserves to fall back on, one of their players had to be sent to complete the senior team. The match was closely fought out and a full Kowloon team might have made all the difference.

In other league matches, the Indian R.C. 1st XI closed their season by defeating the East Surrey who turned out on the field after an absence at camp. Craigengower's win over the University 1st XI was popular, but unexpected, when consideration is given to the fact that the opposition were all out of luck. The victory was largely due to a dashing innings by D. Fritz, who in making 82 repeated his previous score against the Chinese R.C. and is the first Craigengower batsman to reach 200 runs.

Several changes will be noticed in the averages and league records which appear below.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Division I.

Player	Runs	Wickets	Average
E. C. Finch (C.S.)	71	21	3.38
Major Hattersley	82	36	2.28
Smith (R.A.)	110	27	4.07
LT. Col. Armstrong (N)	110	27	4.07
LT. Sillitoe (N)	110	27	4.07
LT. Halsey (N)	110	27	4.07
E. F. Stewart (H.K.)	110	27	4.07
Mid. Stephenson (N)	110	27	4.07
G. R. Sayer (C.S.)	110	27	4.07
D. Fritz (C.C.C.)	110	27	4.07
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.)	110	27	4.07
Capt. Armstrong (S)	110	27	4.07
N. B. Kitchell (L)	110	27	4.07
E. J. Mitchell (H.K.)	110	27	4.07
A. H. Madar (L)	110	27	4.07
Capt. Morris (K)	110	27	4.07
A. W. Hayward (H.K.)	110	27	4.07
R. E. Lindall (K)	110	27	4.07
W. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	110	27	4.07
Pay L. Huxley (N)	110	27	4.07
A. E. Wood (C.S.)	110	27	4.07
E. Hancock (H.K.)	110	27	4.07
R. Maddocks (R.A.)	110	27	4.07
O. Jamall (L)	110	27	4.07
C. Q. M. Stripp (S)	110	27	4.07
F. E. Lawrence (C.S.)	110	27	4.07

Division II.

Player	Runs	Wickets	Average
Capt. Bridgland (R.E.)	84	28	3.00
LT. Spencer (N)	4	38	0.11
H. S. Gordon (H.K.)	4	38	0.11
W. M. Giffens (U)	4	38	0.11
B. C. Hawkins (C.S.)	4	38	0.11
T. E. King (R)	4	38	0.11
G. Lee (H.K.)	4	38	0.11
Mid. Simms (N)	4	38	0.11
R. G. Robertson (P)	4	38	0.11
LT. Emley (N)	4	38	0.11
A. E. Mackenzie (H.K.)	4	38	0.11
F. A. Wahab (L)	4	38	0.11
T. Hall (H.K.)	4	38	0.11
Capt. Bloxham (F)	4	38	0.11
D. E. G. Nicholson (H.K.)	4	38	0.11

* Signifies "not out."

[Minimum 2 innings but not less than half matches of respective team, average 20 runs or over.]

HOME RUGGER.

LEICESTERSHIRE GROUP CHAMPIONS.

(via Colombo.)

London, Feb. 17.

In the re-played rugby county championship match Leicestershire defeated North Midlands by 14 points to 8. Leicestershire are now group champions.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Division I.

Player	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. C. I. Bowler (H.K.)	20	7.11	2.83
L. F. Stewart (H.K.)	10	7.30	1.38
LT. Col. Cantrell (N)	32	8.43	3.79
Pay-Com. Woodward (N)	24	8.59	2.80
G. W. Lane (U)	17	13.22	1.30
S. D. Evans (C.S.)	18	9.62	1.88
S. G. Shanabudin (U)	20	11.95	1.68
Mid. G. Rough (R.A.)	23	12.27	1.88
P. M. G. Aroult (L)	24	12.58	1.92
A. G. Aroult (L)	19	13.07	1.42
P. Baker (C.S.)	12	13.08	0.92
G. W. Lane (U)	17	13.22	1.30
LT. Sillitoe (N)	17	13.22	1.30
LT. Clarke (S)	7	14.14	2.02
Capt. Alford (S)	5	14.80	2.96
F. Goodwin (K)	22	14.81	0.68

Division II.

Player	Runs	Wickets	Average
Sgt. Jones (R.E.)	10	5.50	1.82
A. R. P. Raven (K)	5	7.33	1.47
Capt. Bridgland (R.E.)	5	7.33	1.47
T. D. E. Pendered (H.K.)	15	7.80	1.92
S. S. Briggs (R.E.)	8	8.02	0.99
B. N. Sudan (U)	18	9.11	2.00
G. Lee (K)	12	9.98	1.29
R. G. Robertson (P)	22	9.77	2.26
Q. M. S. Jacob (R.E.)	13	9.84	1.33
H. Griffin (H.K.)	16	9.87	1.63
Eng. G. Bennett (N)	21	10.00	2.10
H. S. Gordon (H.K.)	7	11.25	1.61
A. S. Saffell (L)	17	11.64	1.67
C. F. Alexander (P)	8	12.50	1.56
W. H. Edwards (C.S.)	10	12.78	1.27
A. Lacey (P)	19	13.03	1.40
Mr. Goodwin (R.E.)	13	14.07	1.08
Ed. Huxley (N)	7	14.42	2.06
Y. A. Wahab (L)	0	14.55	0.00

League Records This Season.

HIGHEST INNINGS.

Senior, Royal Navy 249 (for 9 wks.) v. University, University ground, Jan. 23.
Junior, Royal Engineers 223 (for 9 wks.) v. Royal Navy 2nd XI, C.R.C. ground, Feb. 3.

LOWEST INNINGS.

Senior, Craigengower C.C. 26 v. Indian R.C., I.R.C. ground, Dec. 19.
Junior, University 2nd XI 33 v. R.E., University ground, Jan. 9.

HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORE.

Senior, Mid. R. H. Stephenson (R.N.) 162, Nov. 7.
Junior, Sgt. Blondin (R.E.) 91, Feb. 3.

BATTING AGGREGATE.

Senior, Mid. H. H. Stephenson (R.N.) 379.
Junior, Capt. Bridgland (R.E.) 238.

MOST WICKETS IN AN INNINGS.

W. C. Hung (C.R.C.) 8 for 18, Feb. 20; A. C. I. Bowler (H.K.) 8 for 20, Feb. 27.

WICKETS AGGREGATE.

Senior, Lt. Col. A. S. Cantrell (R.N.) 82.
Junior, R. G. Robertson (P.) 22.

200 RUNS THIS SEASON.

Mid. Stephenson (R.N.) (N.).
Capt. Armstrong (Surreys).
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.).
Maj. W. P. A. Hattersley.
Smith (R.A.).
E. C. Finch (C.S.C.).
G. R. Sayer (C.S.C.).
LT. Col. Armstrong (N.).
Pay L. Huxley (R.N.).
Capt. Bridgland (R.E.).
W. C. Hung (C.R.C.).
Sgt. Blondin (R.E.).
D. Fritz (C.C.C.).
20 WICKETS THIS SEASON.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

Team	P	W	D	L	Pts
Royal Navy	9	8	0	1	17
Kowloon	8	4	1	3	15
Civil Service	9	3	6	0	15
H.K.C.C.	8	4	2	2	14
University	9	3	1	5	14
Indian R.C.	9	2	3	4	13
Chinese R.C.	8	1	0	7	1
Surreys	9	0	0	9	0

Division II.

Team	P	W	D	L	Pts
R.E.	8	4	1	3	13
H.K.C.C. 2nd	8	3	3	2	11
Pollack	8	3	2	3	11
K.C.C. 2nd	7	2	2	3	11
Navy 2nd	7	2	2	3	11
R.C. 2nd	7	2	0	5	11
G.C.C. 2nd	6	0	2	4	2
Varsity 2nd	5	0	1	4	1

"THE ASHES."

SELECTORS IN PRAYER BOOK.

(via Colombo.)

Bristol, Feb. 20.

Speaking at the Gloucestershire County Cricket Club dinner, "Plum" Warner said that English cricket had got back to the pre-war standard, and denied that England had got "cold feet." On the contrary, they were preparing a hot reception for the Australians.

It would be impossible to alter the programme this season, but, numby and diffidently, he sought the Tests should last four days, especially after the long journeys the visitors made. It was claimed that the Australians were very strong in batting and weak in bowling, so it was probable that the first of the four Tests would be drawn. He then referred to Hammond, the most promising batsman and a beautiful field. After his successes in the West Indies he thought he might look forward to higher honours.

As regards the selection Committee, "Plum" Warner said that their difficulties were so complex that he felt prayers should be included for them in the Book of Common Prayer.

[Note.—A Reuters telegram of later date said that Mr. Warner was elected chairman of the Selection Committee.]

NAVAL SPORTS.

FLAGSHIP'S CORNER IN PRIZES.

INTERESTING EVENTS.

The flagship had a "corner" in trophies yesterday when the China Squadron sports were held at Sookumpoo.

A large number were present. Mrs. Raikes, wife of the Captain of H.M.S. Titania (sports president) gave away the prizes. H.E. the C.-C. (Sir Edwin Alexander, Smith) addressed the gathering.

For the sports the Fleet was divided into the following units:—Hawkins "A", consisting of executive officers and men and entire crew of H.M.S. Peterfield; (2) Hawkins "B", consisting of non-executive officers and men; (3) H.M.S. Vindictive; (4) H.M.S. Durban; (5) H.M.S. Despatch; (6) H.M.S. Titania and submarines; (7) H.M.S. Ambrose, H.M.S. Marazion and submarines; (8) H.M.S. Tamar, sloop, H.M.S. Iroquois and small ships.

Hawkins A won the C.-C.'s Aggregate Cup with 123 points; the flagship took the Titania Cup for last Saturday's marathon; and Lieut. Nicolson won the individual championship with 15 marks.

Results follow:—100 Yards. Men under 30.—1 A. B. Minna (Hawkins); 2 A. B. Titmus (Tamar); 3 Boy Plows (Hawkins). 114/5 secs.

800 Yards. Open.—1 S/Lt. Newnham (Durban); 2 Mid. Fordham (Durban); 3 Mid. Smythe (Hawkins). 2 min. 11 1/2 secs.

Long Jump. Open.—1 E. R. A. Florence (Titania); 2 Mid. Farquhar (Despatch); 3 L. A. C. Lucken (Vindictive). 17 ft. 5 1/2 ins.

Hurdle Relay Race, 120 Yards. (Teams of four).—1 Hawkins A; 2 Vindictive; 3 Durban. 1.14 4/5.

Putting the Weight.—1 Mns. Walker (Hawkins); 2 P. O. Cowley (Ambrose); 3 A. B. Volter (Hawkins). 34 ft. 4 ins.

440 Yards. Open.—1 Lieut. Nicolson (Hawkins); 2 Mid. Bradbury; 3 Lieut. Broome (Titania). 55 4/5 secs.

Boat Race.—1 Hawkins B; 2 Hawkins A; 3 Vindictive. Officers' Relay Race (110 Yards). Team of six.—1 Hawkins A; 2 Despatch; 3 Ambrose. 1.19 1/2.

100 Yards. Open.—1 Lieut. Nicolson (Hawkins); 2 E. O. Cowley (Ambrose); 3 Mid. Stephenson (Hawkins). 10 2/5 secs.

Men's Veteran Race, 120 Yards. Handicap.—1 Ch. Yeo. Alan (Hawkins); 2 Mns. Joyce (Despatch); 3 Ch. Meach Tupper (Durban). 13 2/5 secs.

110 Yards Relay Race (Men). Teams of six.—1 Vindictive A; 2 Titania A; 3 Ambrose. 51 4/5 secs.

One Mile Open.—Lieut. Newnham (Durban); 2 Mid. Freer (Hawkins); 3 Mid. Podger (Hawkins). 5 min. 3 4/5 secs.

High Jump.—1 Lieut. Nicolson (Hawkins); 2 E. R. A. Florence (Titania); 3 L. C. Dean (Magnolia). 6 ft. 2 ins.

EMPIRE'S BEST.

COLONIAL BILLIARDS PLAYERS.

TO COMPETE AT HOME.

(via Colombo.)

London, Feb. 10.

Routledge and Shaller, the respective amateur billiard champions of South Africa and Australia will compete in the first Empire Championship to take place, on April 12. Shaller is already in London.

LAWN TENNIS.

CLASSING THE WORLD'S BEST PLAYERS.

Much interest has been aroused in France by the manner in which W. T. Tilden has recently publicly classed the world's lawn tennis players. Modestly leaving himself out, he puts W. M. Johnston first and Vincent Richards second, J. Borotra being ranked third G. L. raterson fourth, J. O. Anderson fifth, and R. Lacoste sixth.

France Lacoste and Borotra are always ranked together, this order being the more logical, as since the beginning of 1925 Lacoste has always beaten Borotra.

In January, on the Sporting Club covered courts, Lacoste beat Borotra, 6-0, 6-0, 6-3; in June, at Saint Cloud, the score was in favour of Lacoste, 7-5, 6-1, 6-4; at Wimbledon, 6-3, 6-3, 4-6, 8-6; and at the covered courts Christmas tournament, 6-1, 4-6, 8-6, 7-5.

It is, however, true that Borotra made a very favourable impression in the United States at a time when Lacoste was playing below his usual form.

TEST OR COUNTY CRICKET?

If the suggestion to suspend county cricket in order to prepare for Test matches becomes operative, what will be the effect on county clubs? Mr. J. C. Clay, captain of Glamorgan County, thinks it would be disastrous; he says it "will probably mean ruin to the less wealthy counties and their professionals." Mr. Clay is very pointed in his remarks. "If the winning of the Tests means the 'only thing that really matters,' he says, 'the county championship should be dropped next season' and he asks, 'is not this intense desire to win being rather overdone?' It seems we are losing sight of the fact that cricket is a game.

BLIND GOLFERS SKILL.

Golf in the dark, as happened the other day, would present no difficulties to Captain Towse, V.C., who, although blind, plays amazingly well. The only concessions he asks are that before making a stroke he shall be allowed to touch the ball with his hands to ascertain its position, and that when he is on or near the green his caddy, standing at the hole, shall ring a small bell. Captain Towse is also a fine carman.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Showing good all-round form, Ng Sze-kwong, (open singles champion of the Colony for six years) lost 1924 when he lost to T. Honda played his first match in the H.K.C.C. competition yesterday.

H. D. Rumjahn, one of the best of the younger players, beat N. Trambitzky of Kowloon after a prolonged first set. Details follow:—

Open singles (first round).—H. D. Rumjahn beat N. Trambitzky 9-7, 6-3, 6-1. Ng Sze-kwong beat L. Baines 6-1, 6-1, 6-3. C. Choa beat Lu Tak-lam 2-6, 2-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-0.

Club championship (second round, byes).—S. E. Green (holder) beat G. Miskin 6-1, 6-1, 6-0. H. J. Armstrong beat J. R. Craig 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

Lake (Hawkins); 2 Ch. Gur. Adams (Tamar); 3 Lt. Com. Young (Tamar).

Obstacle Relay Race (Teams of 16).—1 Hawkins A; 2 Ambrose; 3 Durban. 7 min. 15 2/5 secs.

Sack Bumping Team Match.—440 Yards. Open to the Colony. 1 Corp. Macklesworth (Surreys); 2 Pts. Tiersan (R.A.M.C.); 3 Bandman Hannan (Surreys). 36 1/5 secs.

Man's Tag of War catchweights.—1 Despatch; 2 Vindictive. Officers' Tag of War catchweights.—1 Titania; 2 Tamar.

Band Race.—1 Man. Herod; 2 Man. King; 3 Man. Watts. Ladies' Race.—1 Miss. Doris Hunt; 2 Miss. Stirling; 3 Miss. Churthorn.

CORRESPONDENCE.

STOKER MORREL'S CHALLENGE TAKEN UP.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Dear Sir,—In reply to Stoker Morrel's challenge, I should be pleased to meet him or any other middle weight if H.K.B.A. are willing to stage the bout.

Thanking you for past favours, Yours, etc., George Booth. H.M.S. Hollyhock. Hongkong, March 5, 1926.

NO CRIME!

COUNTRESS OF CATHCART WINS.

REMAINS IN AMERICA.

(Reuters American Service.)

New York, March 5.

The Countess of Cathcart has won her suit and remains in the United States.

The Judge upheld the writ of habeas corpus after the District Attorney had entered in the records of the court that adultery does not constitute a crime under the laws of South Africa whether the Countess of Cathcart eloped with the Earl of Craven.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

NEW MINISTER TO SIAM.

(Reuters Service.)

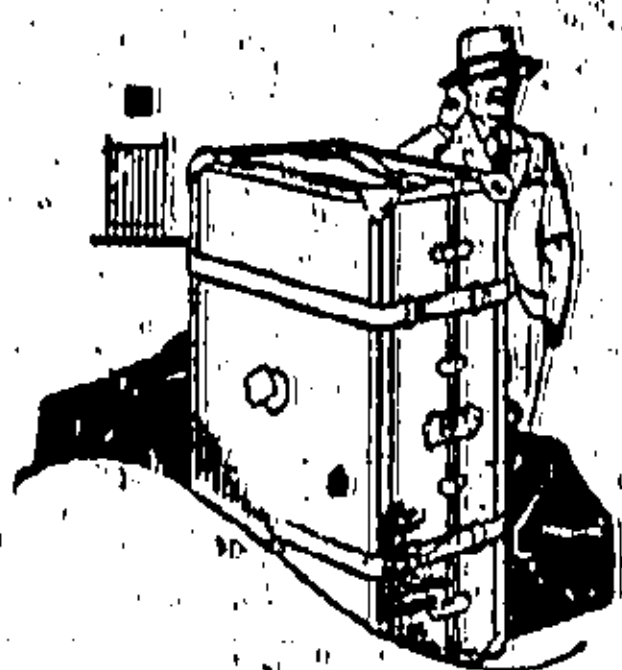
London, March 5.

His Majesty received Mr. S. P. Waterlow, who kissed hands on his appointment as Minister at Bangkok.

[A cable of February 11 reported:—His Majesty the King has approved of the appointment of Mr. Sydney Philip Waterlow, C.B.E., head of the Far Eastern Department of the Foreign Office, as Minister to Siam in succession to Mr. Robert H. Greg, who has been transferred to Roumania.]

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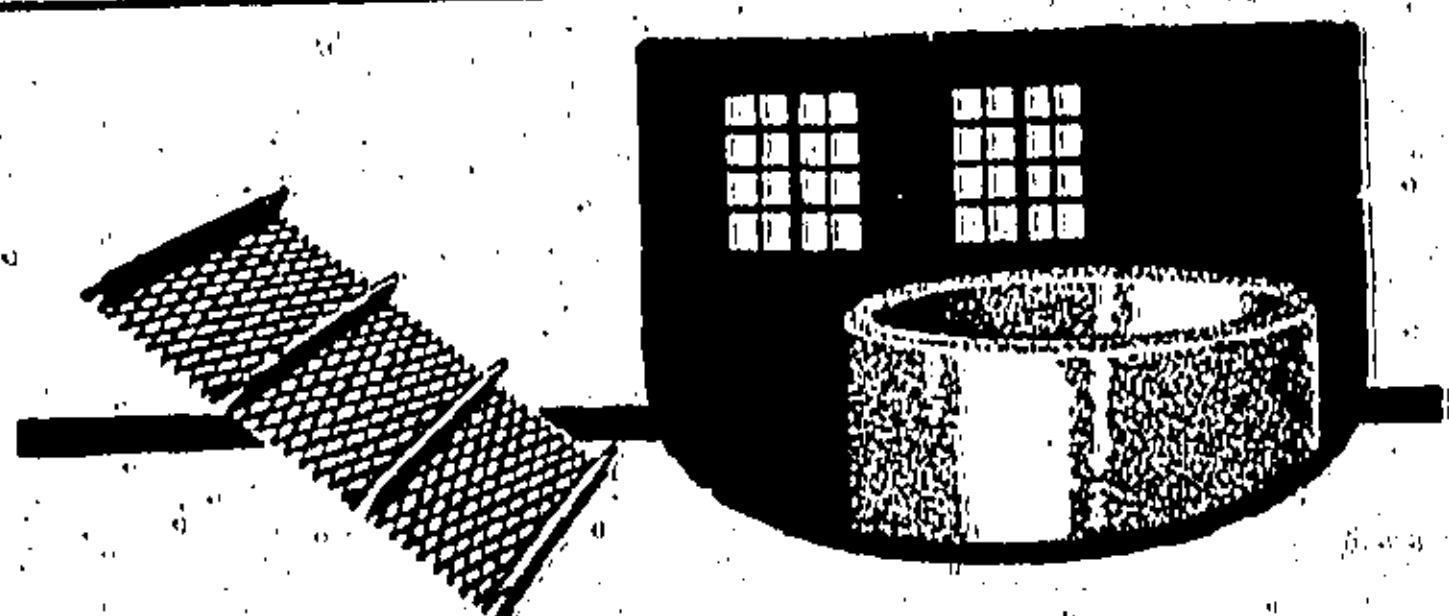
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People and Events in the News of the World



The first New York triplets of this year, each weighed four pounds, on an average.



Mrs. May Vaughn sued for divorce from her aviator husband, Joseph W. Vaughn, who, she said, had told her he was a baron.



Ouida Bergero, a prominent writer for screen pictures, and Basil Rathbone, actor and playwright, were to have been married recently.



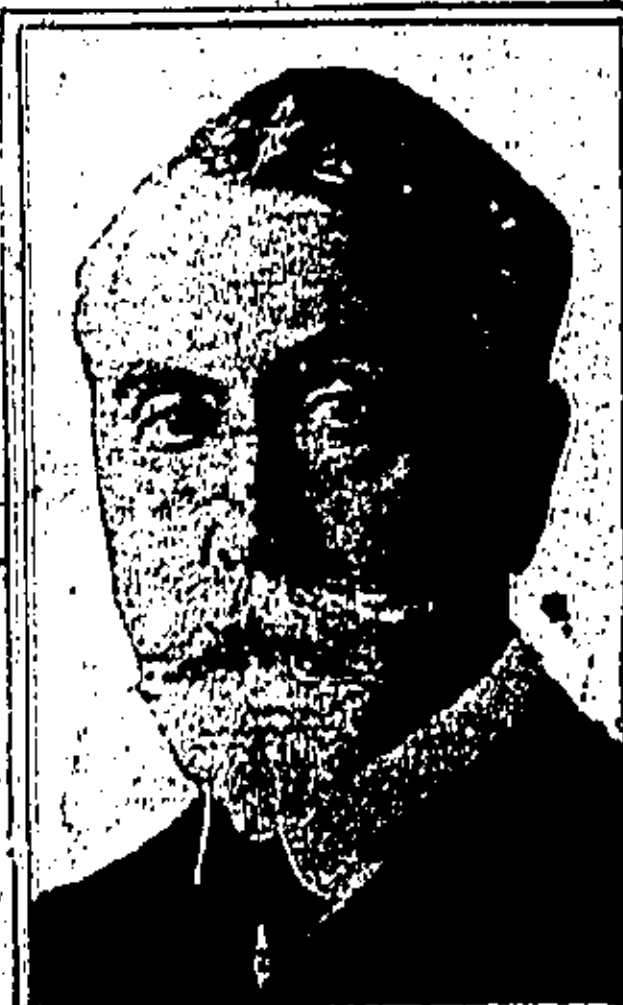
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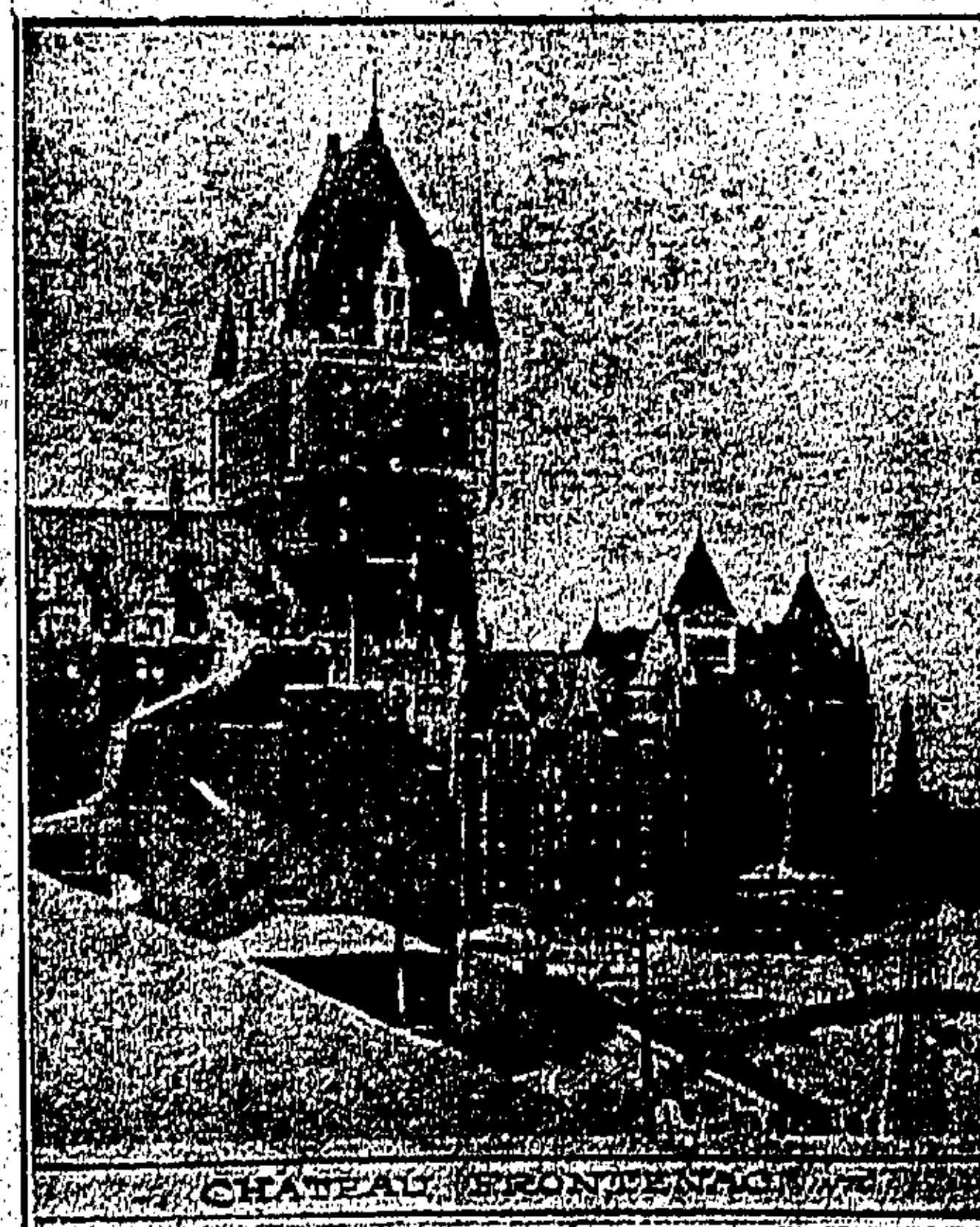


LORD DUNSBOROUGH

Selma Lagerlof, the Swedish author of "Gosta Berlings Saga," has been awarded the Nobel prize for literature. John D. Prince has been appointed United States Minister to Jugoslavia. Leonid Krassin, who was appointed Soviet Ambassador to Great Britain, was reported ill. Lord Dunsborough, active in bringing Germany into the Locarno agreement, has resigned as British Ambassador in Berlin.



Countess Palfy, formerly Dorothy Evelyn Descon, has sued the mother of Prince Albert Radziwell for 186,000 francs, alleged to be due for support of her child. She divorced the Prince in 1922 and married Count Palfy, of Czechoslovakia. She says that the Prince defaulted in payments for their daughter's support and thinks his mother should make good.



Three hundred guests fled from their rooms when fire damaged the old wing of the famous Chateau Frontenac, Quebec.

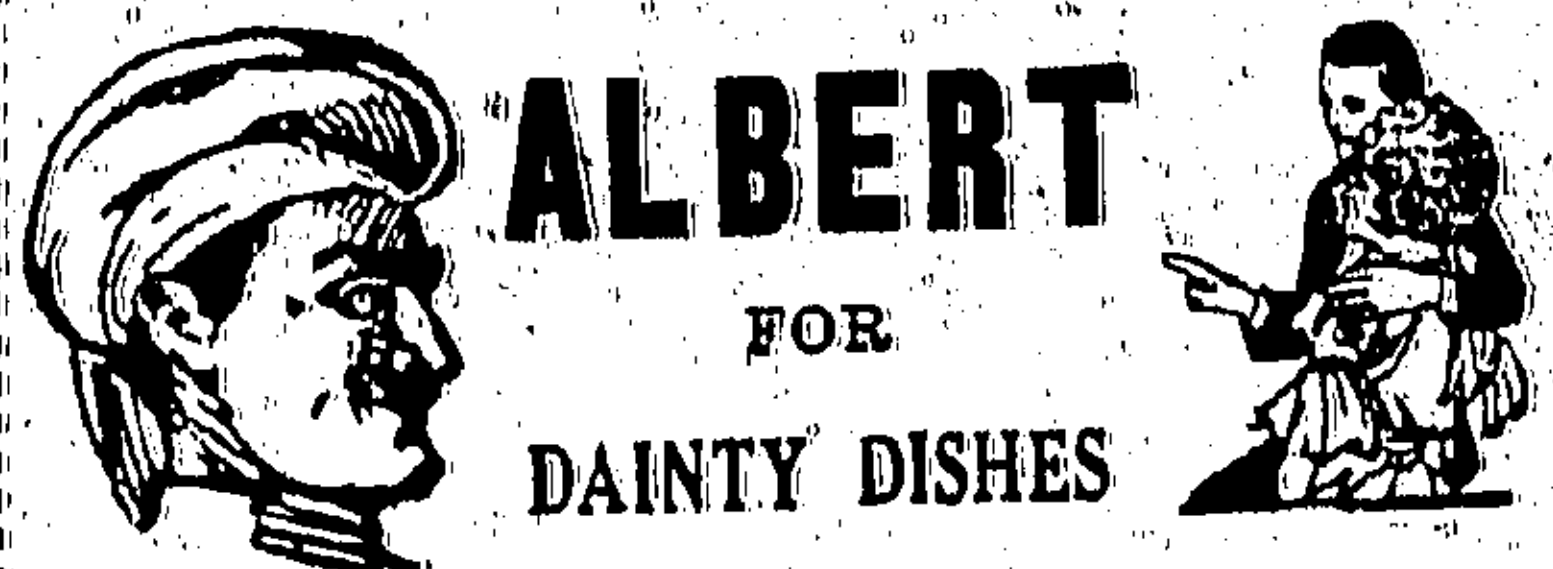
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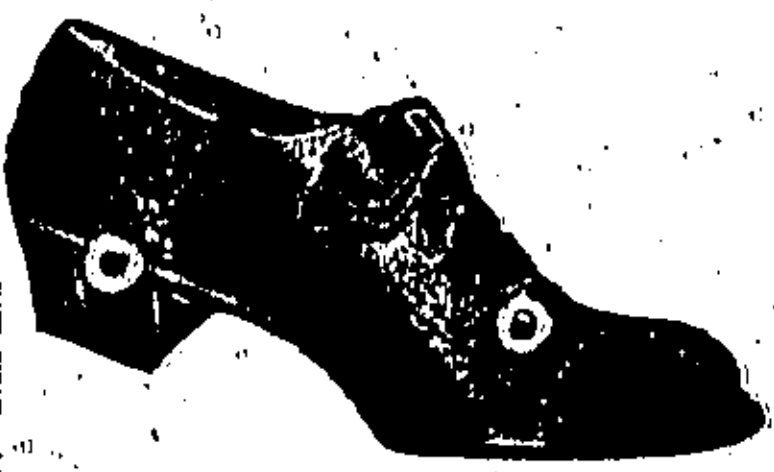
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ODDS AND ENDS

"Park-Combers."

As the gray dawn breaks each day the men with one of the queerest occupations in London creep through the gates of Hyde Park, W. They are the "park-combers," who search the park for small articles which may have been left there accidentally during the previous evening. For the most part the treasure that they glean is of but trifling value. A packet of cigarettes, a single glove or a pair, a pipe, or a few coppers. Now and again a lucky man will discover a woman's handbag or an umbrella, but such discoveries are rare. They say that people are becoming more careful. But each morning they experience the never-fading thrill of the treasure-hunter, and they never give up hope of finding something really valuable.



Michael Masterson, (fourteen), worked as a bathhouse attendant to earn passage money to visit relatives in Ireland.

Kents Museum.

Keats' old house, Lawn Bank, at Hampstead, was to have been opened to the public on the anniversary of his death in January, but owing to unavoidable delays it cannot be made available as a public museum until April. Owing to the generosity of an Australian grand-daughter of Brown, the friend of Keats, who shared Lawn Bank with him at one time, a set of Hogarth prints that a century ago hung around his room has been restored to England and will be on view after Easter.

Drowning Witches.

Giving evidence in the Baptism murder trials at Balaclava, in which members of a Kaffir sect were charged with murdering several natives by drowning, on the ground that they were witches or wizards who did not survive baptism by immersion, a Broken Hill (Rhodesia) native preacher explained what took place when Tomo (the leader of the sect) visited the village. Tomo said to the headman: "Have you any witches; if so, bring them out." The headman produced a man and a woman. Tomo then said: "Preachers, let us go to the stream." The preachers made a ring so that the victims could not escape, and Tomo struck the man and the woman on the ear with a book. He then pressed them down in the water until they were dead. The bodies were afterwards buried at night, the people singing hymns as taught by Tomo.

Glu With Oysters.

"The proper accompaniment of the oyster is the best glu and a small square of gingerbread," said Dr. G. S. Pope, late Lord Mayor of Norwich, speaking at the annual dinner of the Norwich Society of Collectors. "Some people pour half a dram of whiskey on top of the oyster, which," he declared, "produces a hard substance that ought to remain in a man's stomach as long as he lives. It is tantamount to a surgeon preserving a specimen in a spirit bottle."

Royal Roads To Poverty.

The first rule for achieving poverty, said Mr. Hilaire Belloc at a meeting of students in the Glasgow University Union was, to learn to tell the truth, both unpleasant and pleasant. Gambling upon horses, if they were unacquainted with the movements and nature of the animal was another royal road. The third was the exercise of judgment. Two Cabinet Ministers, both very rich and both very wicked, agreed after a short discussion that judgment was more efficacious than hard work for attaining poverty. In good judgment they were prognosticating events far hence, whereas in gambling they were dealing only with events a day or so distant; therefore good judgment was the better way of the two. In a word the three ways were, in order of precedence, good judgment, telling the truth, and hard work. There was no good rule for escaping poverty; it was a matter of luck; it just happened. They got a berth, a regular income, increasing charges, then Marx imposed inflation, and they achieved their end.

How the Bottle Affects Wine.

The glass of which every bottle is made contains various constituents, and unless these are in the correct proportions delicate wines, spirits, beer, and even such things as sauces and pickles, may be rendered distasteful by the chemical changes which will take place. For instance, an excess of lime in the glass would be affected by the acids present in most wines, and wine which had remained in such a bottle for any length of time would become thick and robbed of its delicate aroma. Bottles the glass of which contains more lime than silica are whiter, or colourless, while those the glass of which is richer in silica than lime are of a greenish tint. Apart from this direct-chemical action, however, the colour of a bottle plays an important part in neutralising the adverse influence which light would otherwise have on a bottle's contents, as certain rays of light also induce chemical changes which must be avoided. Thus we have bottles tinted green, blue, brown, black, and dark amber—colours produced during manufacture by employing various chemicals such as citrate of magnesia.—"Daily Mail."

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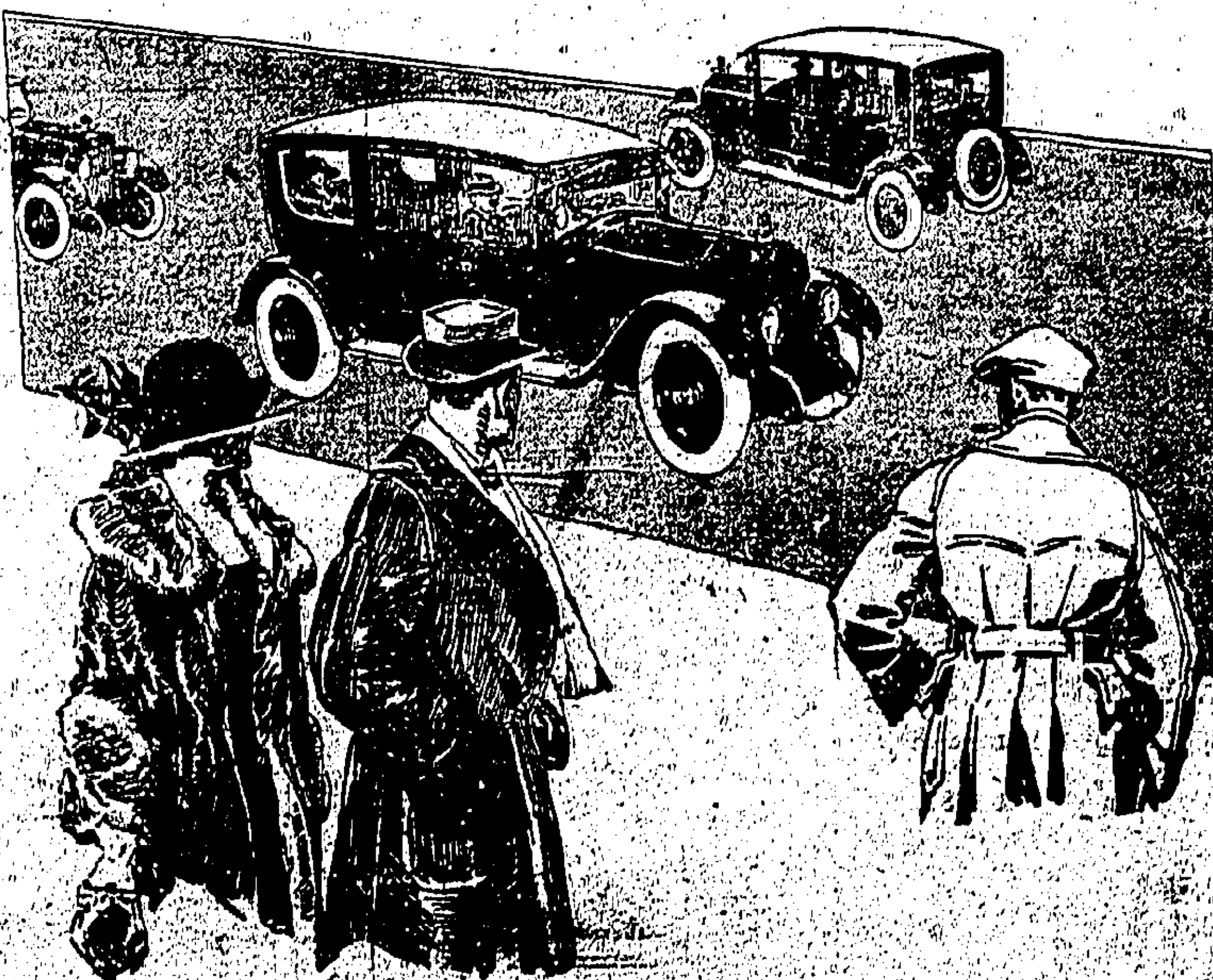
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E. D. C. WOLFE,
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Hongkong, March 3rd, 1926.

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Agenda—To receive the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925.
To elect a Committee for the year ending 31st December, 1926,
and for such other business as may occur.

E. S. C. BROOKS,
Acting Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer,
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FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 7.

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Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou. Kwaikang 9 a.m.
Shanghai. Kwaikang 9 a.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 8.

Amoy. Tisalak 10.30 a.m.
Manila, "and" Europe via "Holland" Kwaikang 10.30 a.m.
Hainan. Kwaikang 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa. Indus Maru 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan. Kwaikang 2.10 p.m.
Amoy and Fuzhou. Kwaikang 2.30 p.m.
Amoy. Kwaikang 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9.

Bangkok. Chokyu Maru 10 a.m.
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Amoy and Fuzhou. Kwaikang 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10.

Java via Batavia. Chokyu Maru 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai. Kwaikang 10.30 a.m.
Bungay. Kwaikang 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou. Kwaikang 10.30 a.m.
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